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Municipal offices swamped with calls questioning re-assessment

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

It is not an easy time to be a
municipal office employee.

Ever since the province mailed
out the first notices under the
new Actual Value Assessment
system, the phones have been
almost ringing off the hook at
municipal offices across the
county. Whether property own-
ers are angry or confused or
both, they want the municipal
offices to do something to help
them, and some of them aren't
very pleased when they're told
the municipality isn't yet in a
position to do that.

"We don't have all the infor-
mation and that's what's so frus-
trating," says Donna McCallum,
clerk-administrator of Dysart et
al. "It's just horrible."

This spring, the new, province-
wide system of actual value
property assessment came into
effect. Any time you change
such a massive system, trouble
ensues, partly because assessing
what a property is worth can
seem like such a subjective
endeavour, and partly because

assessment has a direct bearing
on what people pay in property
taxes. Nothing can raise peo-
ple's ire like taxes.

Until this year, Dysart's prop-
erty values were based on 1978
values. And since a complex
system of factoring was used,
when the 1978 value was printed
on a tax bill, it was so much out
of synch with the property's
actual value, people had little
way of knowing if it was accu-
rate or not. More often than not,
they simply accepted the seem-
ingly arbitrary figure listed on
their bill.

A person who used to have a
very low figure listed as a prop-
erty's assessment on their old
tax bill has now received an
assessment notice with, it's
hoped, a far more accurate fig-
ure of the property's real value,
based on what a willing seller
would get from a willing buyer
on June 30, 1996. Some
landowners, however, are auto-
matically assuming their prop-
erty taxes will increase by the
same ratio, and that's prompting

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Access to Algonquin Park vital, Lands for Life to be told

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

One of the best ways to
improve tourism in the
Highlands would be to create a
local access to one of the
province's most popular parks,
says a woman who also believes
that time is running out for
approval of such a scheme.

"If the entrance to Algonquin
Park is not in the Lands for Life
plan, we'll never get it and it's
imperative that we have it," says
West Guilford resident Carol

Stamp, who sits on the Ontario
Parks board and is also involved
with the Haliburton Highlands
Outdoors Association. "If we
don't have a road into the Park,
it's useless as far as tourist dol-
lars for us. We need tourism;
there's nothing else coming into
our community for jobs."

Although part of Algonquin
Park is within the county's bor-
ders, you have to go outside the
county to get into the Park along
the main Hwy 60 corridor. Day-
trippers and campers there-
fore seldom come through the
Highlands during their visit.
Given the increased popularity
of eco-tourism, especially
among Europeans and Asians,
"this is the bandwagon we've

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Even Olympic snowboarder Ross Rebagliati
might have learned a trick or two during the
weekend's Snowball Carnival in Dorset. Here,
teenager Nathan Jones does a jump off the ramp
across from the community centre

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Haliburton could benefit from Algonquin mystique

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got to get on," says Stamp.

As a member of the Ontario Parks board, she's seen a map which identifies significant, identifiable areas within the province, and none of those areas are within Haliburton County. That's why she thinks it's even more imperative to take advantage of the Algonquin mystique.

Additional urgency comes from the speed at which the Lands for Life policy planning forums are moving ahead. She says any change such as a new access road would have to be part of the new Lands for Life policy, which is supposed to be the province's blueprint for the next 20 years. If people don't get involved in the public meetings - a bus is leaving Haliburton for Wednesday's meeting in Bancroft - then the access road won't be included in the plan and Haliburton will have to wait another 20 years for an opportunity, Stamp says.

Carol Stamp says that if people want road access to the Park through Haliburton as a way of promoting tourism, Lands for Life must be lobbied

She envisions a road that cuts down from Hwy 60, through Rock Lake and then along the Harburn Road into Haliburton village. In the past, she says, the county has balked because of the price, but it's better to at least get approval for the road now, and then start saving money to pay for it later.

"If you can get Lands for Life singing that way, then more power to you," says Dysart councillor and Harcourt timberman Tom Coghlan, who's been working for three years on getting better public

access to the Park. Just last week he had two meetings with Ministry of Natural Resources officials about several options.

In the short term, he'd like to make better use of an area in Clyde and Bruton (part of Dysart et al) that is now frequented primarily by cross country skiers, hunters and loggers. Since none of them are there in the summer, he'd like to see the area opened for camping, with no motors allowed on the lakes, and no bottles or cans allowed.

Another option is to improve access through Harcourt and yet another is to build a road in via Percy Lake. For this latter option, however, the land is privately owned and many arrangements would have to be worked out first.

Coghlan, who is also vice-chairperson of the Algonquin Forestry Authority, says "it might help if people put a little pressure on (the committee)" to further consider access through Algonquin Park.

"If we should be making an application, then absolutely," agrees county warden

(and Dysart et al reeve) Murray Fearrey. "We've made overtures for years."

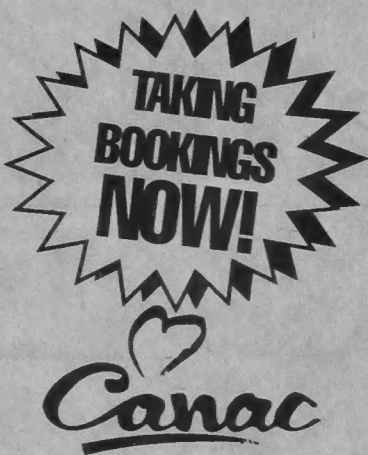
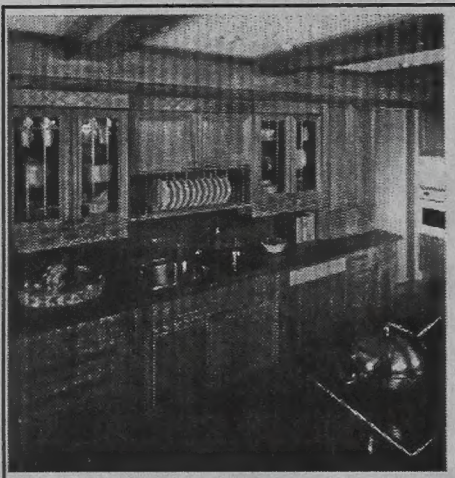
In the next few weeks, the Lands for Life committee will continue touring the province to solicit "specific and focused commentary about the forthcoming preliminary land use planning report."

A bus will take local residents to Wednesday's stopover in Bancroft. It leaves from the Haliburton arena at 5 p.m. and will return at about 10 p.m. If you'd like to be on it, call Jack Campbell at 457-3030 or Carol Stamp at 457-1386 days or 754-1162 evenings.

The Lands for Life public meetings are as follows, from 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 10 p.m.: Feb. 24, Grandview Inn, Huntsville; Feb. 25, Bancroft Fish and Game Club; Feb. 26, Pembroke Catering Hall; Mar. 2, Ramada Inn, Sault Ste. Marie; Mar. 4, Ramada Inn, Sudbury; Mar. 5, Pinewood Park Inn, North Bay. The second round of public meetings are Mar. 23, Grandview Inn, Huntsville; Mar. 25, Bancroft Fish and Game Club; Mar. 27, Best Western Inn, Pembroke; Apr. 7, Ramada Inn, Sault Ste. Marie; Apr. 9, Sheraton Four Points Hotel, Sudbury; Apr. 15, Pinewood Park Inn, North Bay.

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Lands for Life deadline revised to allow more time for submissions

Natural Resources Minister John Snobelen has revised the deadline until the end of June for the three Lands for Life round tables to report their recommendations for the protection and use of 46 million hectares of Crown lands in Northern Ontario.

"The response to the Lands for Life public meetings has been overwhelming," Snobelen said. "Allowing more time will enhance the process because the round tables have hundreds of submissions to consider."

Originally, the three round tables were to provide the Minister with their recommendations by March 1998. Given the substantive interest and input, the deadline has been revised and the round tables will have until June 30, 1998 to make their recommendations.

The round tables will provide the Minister with recommendations to assist him in determining the long-term protection and use of Ontario's natural resources on Crown land in Ontario's forested regions. Lands for Life will

address the increasing demands and competition for access to limited publicly owned natural resources and ensure they are used sustainably.

The province has been divided into three ecological regions: Boreal West, Boreal East and Great Lakes St. Lawrence. Three round tables have been set up with representatives of environmentalist groups, tourist operators, Aboriginal peoples, recreational users, the forest industry and people who work in resource-based industries. The round tables have held many meetings to hear input from the public. They are now developing an initial set of options for land use that the public will be able to review and comment on through the month of March. The round tables will then select preferred options, which the public will be able to review. After the round tables make their recommendations to the Minister, a draft regional land use strategy will be developed. The public will also be consulted on the strategy.

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Haliburton BIA expresses the need to "band together" to ensure main street can thrive

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Haliburton's BIA has enough money and manpower right now to cover only the "bare essentials" of its mandate, say members of the association's executive.

If it's ever going to be able to do more to spruce up the village and help create a better local business environment, it's going to have to get a lot bigger, they maintain.

"We all need to band together, whether your property is located within the present BIA boundary or outside," Andy Glecoff told business operators, land owners and others at a public meeting Wednesday evening. "This village is too small to even consider (not doing) that. You're all in the same boat."

He noted the BIA's boundaries presently don't even include all businesses on main street, running from Newbatt Appliances in the east, to Cedar St in the west and the bridge on Maple St. to the north.

Glecoff and executive member Jim Henwood told the audience they want the BIA enlarged to include all businesses in the village, stretching as far north as Elstone Motors on Hwy. 118 and as far south on Hwy. 121 as the Beer Store, including the Industrial Park.

Glecoff said the BIA will try to get business operators and landowners in the targeted areas to approve the proposal before bringing it to Dysart council for its endorsement.

If at least two thirds of the businesses in the proposed expansion areas support the plan, then Dysart has the power to pass a bylaw extending the BIA's boundaries.

A previous attempt to expand the BIA to Village Court Plaza failed several years ago.

The total levy for Haliburton's BIA is \$10,000, leaving it with little money to spare after covering costs for the basics — buying flowers during the summer, hanging street banners and Christmas decorations, as well as other small efforts to improve the village's appearance.

But an expanded BIA with more businesses chipping in to the budget would allow it to spend more on marketing, activities to draw visitors and make village upgrades, said Glecoff.

The BIA and the municipality shared the cost of having an urban design consultant create a master plan to dramatically improve

Haliburton's physical appearance.

But without more money, it will be difficult for the BIA to carry out many of the more costly projects, such as installing heritage-style street lights.

However, at least one member of the audience argued the BIA shouldn't be involved in major infrastructure projects in the first place.

David Bishop, Sr. said the municipality of Dysart should be "paying more attention to main street," considering the high amount of taxes it collects from downtown property owners and business operators.

"The township has got to be pushed to spend more time and money on the infrastructure. That shouldn't be up to the BIA," he said.

Meanwhile, the provincial government plans to introduce legislation changes in the spring that should help protect BIAs, indicated Ted Brandon, a representative from Victoria-Haliburton Chris Hodgson's office.

Some municipal officials and business operators fear property assessment changes introduced by the province as of Jan. 1 could spell the end for some BIAs.

Under the former tax system, all those who paid business occupancy taxes within the designated business improvement area — landowners, as well as tenants — were responsible for paying a BIA levy.

But Tory tax reforms eliminate business assessment and business occupancy tax, making



LISTENING TO CONCERNS: Dysart et al Deputy-reeve Bill Davis and Ted Brandon, representing MPP Chris Hodgson, respond to business owners questions at Wednesday's public meeting about the BIA and taxation issues.

property owners, not business operators, solely responsible for BIA levies.

The move has raised concerns that downtown property owners who rent out their store fronts may take less interest in the BIA than current association members.

As well, some are worried landlords may rather see the BIAs disbanded than pay the new levy.

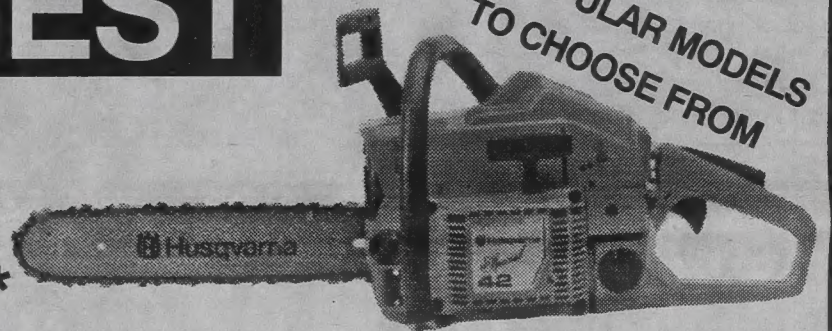
However, Brandon told the audience legislation will be passed this spring to enable landlords to pass BIA levies on to their tenants, allowing tenants to sit on the boards of management that run the BIAs.

Landlords would determine how the levy is to be divided — likely by square footage — if they have multiple tenants in one building.

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People worried about tax increases

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many of the phone calls.

As well, when people phone the assessment office to ask how the new assessment figure will affect their property taxes, they're told to phone their municipal office, which is also burning up the lines.

To complicate matters, the assessment notice says "the municipal office will be able to provide information on these (tax) rates when they have been established." The operative word here is "when". When doesn't mean now because the offices have not got any of their figures on such things as downloading costs from the province, and this is making it impossible to even guess budget figures.

While the introduction of AVA is bound to cause some shifts in taxation, the mill rate — now called the tax rate — will also be changed and there might be some people who find they're paying less taxes under AVA than before. As well, taxation levels will also have a lot to do with the impact of downloading of services from the provincial government, which is now picking up 50% of education costs.

So when people call the municipal office and are told that the tax rate figures aren't yet available, some of them think it's all part of a government plot to raise taxes.

The other issue that's prompting a lot of phone calls are two lines in a letter from the Assessment Commissioner about the Ontario Fair Assessment System. The letter

says "municipalities must offer a program to cancel or defer property tax increases resulting from reassessment from low-income senior and low-income disabled homeowners. Municipalities can phase in tax changes related to assessment over a period for up to eight years."

"On a single issue, I've never been called as many times," says Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey.

It's very important to note that any deferment or cancellation is only on the portion of the tax increase that's the result of an increase in assessment; it's not on the entire tax bill or the portion of taxes that go up simply because the municipality, county and board of education need more money.

Asked what will be used to determine who qualifies as a low-income landowner, McCallum says one of the suggestions is to use the welfare eligibility guidelines.

These issues will be debated at Wednesday's county council meeting.

Meanwhile, people are encouraged to attend the public meetings about assessment. They are as follows, from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m., on February 26 and 27, and March 2:

- For Stanhope, Sherborne et al, Lutterworth, Snowdon and Anson, Hindon and Minden: the Minden arena
- Dysart et al and Glamorgan: the Dysart community centre in Haliburton
- For property owners in Monmouth, Cardiff and Bicroft: council chambers at the Lloyd Watson Centre in Wilberforce

AVA's big question: Is it fair?

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

It's important to split the confusion about property assessment and property taxes into two separate components: your property's assessed value under AVA and the amount you have to pay for municipal, county and education costs.

Property tax is a property's assessment multiplied by a tax rate which is based on how much money the municipality must raise to cover its budget costs. So far, municipalities have not even been able to start setting budgets because they do not yet have the figures from the province about the impact of downloading and the province's new pledge to pick up 50% of education costs. Since the other 50% of education costs are paid by property owners and the board of education has not yet received direction about how much it is allowed to spend, there are further delays in even being able to estimate whether property taxes will increase.

The following are some of the issues involving the new system of property assessment.

When you get your assessment notice with the new value noted, the main question you should ask is whether the figure is fair. If you had sold your property in June of 1996, is the value listed on your assessment the same as the price you'd expect to receive?

In the past, the assessed value was 20 years out of date. Even if you haven't done anything to improve your property in 20 years, the truth of the matter is that property values have increased. If you sold your property tomorrow, would you be content to get a 1978 price?

How do you know whether the price is fair? In that regard, you have to do a little research. Let's say you know of a property very much

like yours which sold recently. You can ask the real estate office for the selling price. Even if a similar property hasn't sold, you can come to the municipal office and look up the roll number of that property and see if the value listed is the same.

Some people are asking the municipality if they should get their property appraised, but Dysart's clerk-administrator Donna McCallum says the above suggestions are things people can do themselves.

What's assessment based on?

When the province decided to introduce AVA, the assessment office didn't have the time or staff to do individual inspections of each property. Most property owners were sent a questionnaire asking them for details about their property and any improvements which may have been made. The assessment commissioner says most people were honest in their responses.

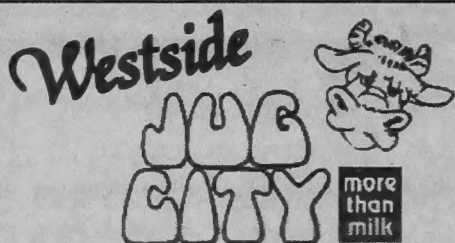
An assessment officer figures out a property's value pretty much the same way a real estate appraiser does. Is it on water with good access? How many bedrooms and bathrooms are there? Does it have air conditioning and hardwood floors? Basically, everything and anything is taken into consideration since assessment is now supposed to be more closely attuned with current real estate prices. As the system comes into effect, those values are expected to fluctuate from year to year, just as the market does.

If a house or cottage is new, it's far more likely that the assessment office has an up-to-date estimate of its value. Older cottages and homes, which haven't been inspected for decades, may be lagging behind in their documented value, so it's these properties which may see a bigger increase in assessment.

"It seems as though the newer cottagers and houses are coming in closer (to an agreed-upon value)," says McCallum. "With newer places, the assessment officers have already taken everything into consideration."

If you disagree with the assessed value of your property, the deadline to file an appeal is June 29.

But even if you appeal your assessment, McCallum reminds you that you are legally obliged to pay your interim tax bill, which is 50% of your last tax bill. If you don't, you will be penalized. If your appeal is successful, then the municipality will give you a rebate.



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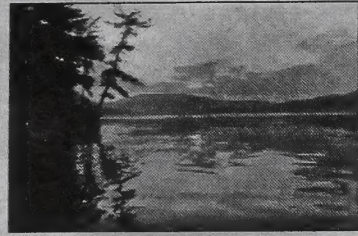
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**Editorial**

Trails for all

IT'S ONE THING TO HAVE acres upon acres of forests and a winter climate that usually includes lots of snow. It's another thing to transform those assets into something that will generate tourism and recreational opportunities.

Thanks to the volunteer efforts of the Haliburton nordic ski club, the dedication of the nordic ski association, and the generosity of local business owners, that task has been accomplished at Glebe Park in Haliburton. What was once a forested parkland rarely used by anyone has become an increasingly popular venue for both recreational and competitive cross country skiing.

It's because of everyone pulling together that the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School was able to host the prestigious finals of the high school cross country ski circuit, and the skiing portion of this year's Ontario Winter Games at Glebe Park. More than 800 competitors and their families have converged in Haliburton for two days of races (which conclude today, Tuesday.) If the past few weeks hadn't been spent by volunteers improving the trails, it wouldn't have been possible to host such a big event. In fact, the work started last spring when volunteers hit the trails to clear trees and remove obstacles. Those with skills as builders also transformed the bandshell – used at most one or two days a year – into a comfortable clubhouse which can be the base office for an entire season of skiing.

There will be an economic boost from having so many people in the village for two days, of course. Accommodations were booked, meals were eaten and no doubt a few souvenirs will be taken home. During the slow months of winter, any little bit helps, but the real economic advantage will be garnered in the weeks and years to come. No doubt some of those skiers and their families were in the area for the first time, and once having had a taste of Highlands beauty, will want to come back for more, both in winter to enjoy the trails and in summer to enjoy the lakes that are now covered in a blanket of snow and ice. Anything that enhances the profile of any part of the Highlands is good for everyone, just like the Sled Dog Derby in Minden benefits the county as a whole from increased media exposure and visits from people who might not otherwise have a reason to come here.

But again, in these times of fiscal restraint, when governments have neither the will nor the resources to spend money on infrastructure, the value of the work done by the volunteers can't be praised enough. No one was there to see them do the work, nor will the economic fruits of their labour been immediately obvious, and yet so many people are now able to enjoy the beauty of the Glebe Park forest thanks to their efforts. Skiers and non-skiers are grateful.

Singing troubadours

How many schools will have to change their school colour to green (as in "with envy") after hearing the Gooderham school children perform with Tamarack on Friday night at the Haliburton Legion? Certainly every educator and every parent could see what wonderful things emerged from the three-day workshop with Ontario's unofficial troubadours and would wish the same thing could take place at their school.

Sometimes you attend events simply as a sign of support and then you're pleasantly surprised when you find you're actually really enjoying them. Such was the case with Friday's concert. Many people would not have guessed how entertaining the students' songs turned out to be since most of those students had had their first taste of songwriting just the previous day. The audience was there to applaud and encourage, but by the end of the evening, they were there simply because it was so much fun. The students earned the price of admission.

Of course, it was a bonus to hear Tamarack perform as well. After an exhausting three-day schedule – which even included shovelling the snow off principal Georgiana Boyle's roof – they gave one of the best performances heard at the Legion. History never sounded as good. Their blend of soulful harmonies, powerful voices and heart-stirring lyrics earned them a place in Canada's musical history book.

Congratulations to everyone.

M.P.



Winter walkway

by Len Pizzey

Letters to the Editor

Time for term 'ladies' to be dropped from language

To the Editor:

Marion Hare expressed concern that the word 'ladies' could disappear from the language. (Art and Me, February 17)

Good. In my view, ladies, lady and ladylike are all relics of a former time, suitable for Jane Austen's refined, upper class Victorian sitting room but out of step with appropriate terminology for modern women and girls.

As Mrs. Hare indicates, the word 'ladies' has a multitude of meanings. That lack of exactitude may be part of the problem. However, if a female child in our society is told to 'be a little lady', I think we all know what that means. The expression carries a clear message of certain behavioural expectations. In my view, those are expectations of conformity, compliance, deference, quietness and 'goodness'. Little room here for modern gender realities and little encouragement for such necessary virtues as independence, emotional and spiritual strength, assertiveness and non-traditional accomplishment.

Where boys can rightly aspire to become men, a term likely clearly understood in our culture, what is the equivalent aspiration for 52% of the population which is female? Women? I think not. Perhaps permanent girlhood. Many grown women in our culture refer to themselves and each other as 'girls' throughout their lives and apparently feel unaccountably flattered to be referred to as immature (read young, desirable and sexy?) by male friends.

There is a strong and compelling message here also. This message, that human females are attractive and desirable only when young does all of us a disservice and is particularly disrespectful of females.

I respect Mrs. Hare's lament for the possible loss of the word 'ladies', an English language

anachronism. However, I think the question is not so much whether 'ladies' remains in common usage but why there is such difficulty with 'women'.

Margery Cartwright
Haliburton

Community gets behind effort to save daycare

To the Editor:

It's amazing what can be accomplished when a community puts their minds to it. Less than six months ago, the news went out that Minden CHACE Day Care was going to be shutting our doors. We needed money and we needed new enrollment.

Well, during this short period of time, we've raised several thousand dollars and have enrolled new families.

Our latest Bingo fundraiser was a new event for most of us. Thanks to Minden Rotary, Lions and the Municipality of Anson, Hindon and Minden for their donations of space, equipment and manpower, enabling us to run a very successful Bingo. The support of the obviously dedicated "Bingo goers" as well as the inexperienced players alike were a joy to be around for the afternoon.

Congratulations to all of the winners of that day and another huge thank you to the volunteers and those service clubs. And, finally, thanks to the people of Haliburton County, where once again it proves to be a benefit to be part of a small but caring and aware community.

Wendy Sisson
Supervisor, Minden CHACE Day Care

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Dog days

WE HAVE been having some problems with our dog of late. I am not sure if it is that lack of mid-winter motivation or a case of unrequited love but our Soxxie-Boy has been less than princely these days. It wouldn't be so bad if he had always been like this but it seems to have come out of nowhere. It can be worse than trying to figure out your kids. I mean, at least when Sophie stomps off to her room saying, "Why can't I have brownies for breakfast?" it is pretty self-explanatory. But when a dog chews up four squares of parkay floor, it kind of leaves you scratching your head.

For the most part, Sox has been a pretty good mutt. He adapted well to having to perform his bodily functions out-of-doors. I know I would have the largest bladder in captivity if I had to go out in -15 degree weather. He stayed upstairs and never climbed on the furniture, even when coaxed. Whenever he had to travel in the car, he was pretty placid and never once asked "Are we almost there?". Sure there was the odd mishap here and there but really, nothing to get bent out of shape over. Until recently that is.

Christmas was fine, even when the comings and goings and everyone's routine being disrupted a bit. Sox weathered all of that so well we were even getting so that he could be let off his leash for a little run and would actually return when called. He would retrieve his leash when he had to go out and wait patiently by the door until someone was inspired to take him out. There was even a successful overnight with Grandma and Grandpa. We were beginning to congratulate ourselves on what our fine canine, which of course was the kiss of death.

About three weeks ago, Sox began to exhibit some behaviour patterns that made us think that he had become some other dog. I first noticed it when I came upstairs one morning to find a startled looking Sox rousing himself from slumber not from his cosy mat in the corner of the TV room but from the couch! And he didn't even have the decency to look guilty. Sophie told me she found Sox lying on the couch and the TV was on! Nawww.

Another day I was doing something in the kitchen when the dog sent up a racket that I was sure would wake the dead. I went to the door expecting to find somebody there only to look out at an empty driveway and dormant street. Really dog, get a grip.

Well the worst came last weekend when I returned from the school pick-up to find the pantry door had been butted open by none-other-than. The children and I looked in horror at the paper from an entire box of baking chocolate scattered across the floor. Gone - the whole box. Well there would be no Valentine for you young man! Then around the corner, we discovered that three boxes of Jell-O had also been scarfed down along with a bag of split peas, some lentils and some saltines. I wasn't even so mad about the food but now I had to vacuum the rug! Needless to say Sox's tummy was a little upset that evening and he proceeded to erupt ALL over the house, much to everyone's disgust. Since it was self-inflicted, nobody was particularly sympathetic to the pooch's problems and he spent the majority of the weekend skulking off to his mat with what I now fully understand to be a hang-dog expression. The whole matter wasn't helped by my ever-loving husband saying, "And who's idea was it to get a dog, Anne?". Oh how soon they forget. We've only just gotten over the debacle of the gerbils in our house and who's idea was that, Kirk? But let's not throw stones.

I am pleased to report that Sox is starting to return to his usual only semi-stupid self. There have been fewer episodes of barking at the air, very little looting of the garbage and no more jaunts with Jell-O. Whatever it was that was bothering him seems to have sorted itself out for now. I guess we all have bad days now and then. I can only hope next time our male dog has PMS-like symptoms, he consoles himself with something other than dark chocolate!



ANNECDOTES

Anne Creelman



Pic of the Past

This week's Pic of the Past shows the men from Clayt Hodgson's logging camp near Eagle Lake around 1922, including, from left: Dick Holbrook (with felt hat), Paddy MacNamara (in work shirt and black mackinaw trousers), Hugh Kernohan (arms folded), Ken Porter (hand in pocket), Harold Porter (sweater

with stripe on cuff), Mr. Henderson (overalls and open coat), Tom Harrison (black coat and cap) and Art Porter (14 years old, front right corner.) The photo is from John Hulbig's book about the history of his family and Lutterworth, Whispering Pines.

History's verdict subject to appeal

Someone once asked Chou en Lai, the former Marxist premier of China, for his thoughts on the French Revolution and its contribution to history. He replied: "It's still too early to tell". I thought of this a few nights ago after seeing, for the first time in many years, "Easy Rider", the seminal end of the '60s flick that supposedly encapsulated the cherished values of the whole flower power generation.

Now, I may be missing something here, but the film definitely was not the way I remembered. A lot of the acting was amateurish, the good guys dealt drugs for a living, and their once seemingly profound dialogues about UFOs, Freedom and the Meaning of Life now appeared as insipid clichés slurred through an omnipresent haze of on-screen marijuana smoke.

So, the question is, was the movie really this bad, or have I, over the past 30 years, been oh so gradually, oh so imperceptibly, ensnared in the slimy embrace of the (shudder) Establishment?

Yes, history has always been a tricky business, and now it is being revised on an almost daily basis. Educational authorities in the former Soviet Union dropped the subject completely from school curricula in the



PERSPECTIVES

Lon Duncombe

early '90s until the textbooks were rewritten to reflect the new ideology of "communism = bad, capitalism = good." Switzerland, of late a small, charming country previously esteemed because of its neutrality and compassion towards refugees in the last war,

'Who knows which, if any, of the pet causes of our day will survive the passage of time? Or which small band of visionaries, unknown until now, will blossom?'

now appears to have been closet buddies with the Nazis, selling their stolen gold and, until very recently withholding bank deposits from the relatives of Holocaust victims on the flimsiest of grounds. We have a historical dichotomy right here in little old Canada, and our inability to agree on the meaning of sign posts in our recent history - the repatriation of our constitution, Meech Lake, and others - may well become a major factor in the disintegration of our country. Even individuals do not

escape. Different groups interpret, and reinterpret, the past differently, depending on the ideological flavour of the month. Jack Kennedy, late American president, cold warrior and martyr for freedom, has recently been revealed as a colossal womanizer who jeopardized not only his political future, but the security of his family and country on a regular basis. In his case, the skeletons were real, it just took a while to dig them up. Kennedy, Nixon, Mulroney, Trudeau, they all shimmer, warp, and occasionally become unrecognizable when viewed through the prism of our reassessed past.

So it seems that history's verdict is always subject to appeal. Who knows which, if any, of the pet causes of our day will survive the passage of time? Or which small band of visionaries, unknown until now, will blossom and create that movement which will successfully address tomorrow's burning issues? And against a background of changing opinions and shifting allegiances, how do we keep our spiritual balance and avoid being swept up, to our own detriment, in the flash-in-the-pan fads which will also inevitably appear?

Charity event helpers showed heart

To the Editor:

I would like to thank all the organizers of the Annual Ski for Heart day at Sir Sam's Ski Area on February 14. Volunteer coordinator Heather Valentine did a tremendous job rounding up door prizes and running the day's event. Behind the scenes, Aileen Bruce, Vicki Ross, Barb Hodgson, Al Gostock and Adrienne Higgins were busy with registration and receipting. Without the support of the Haliburton County chapter's volunteers, this event could not be possible.

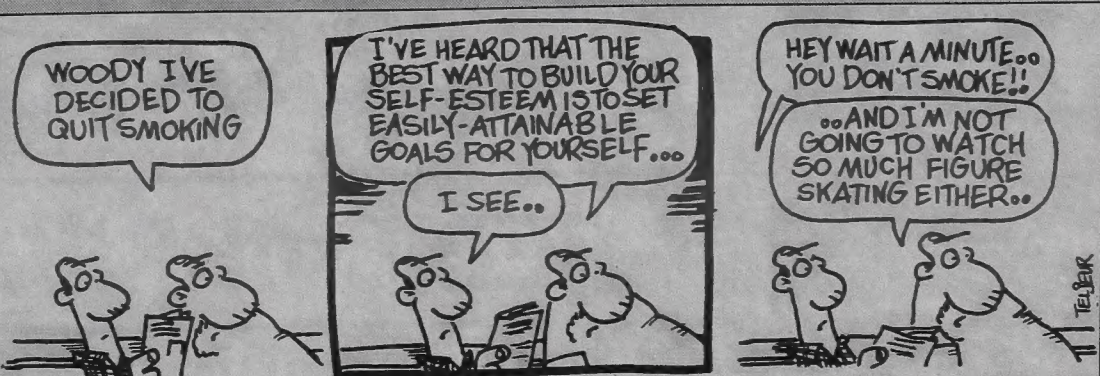
A very special thank you to

the Bishop family, owners of Sir Sam's. It goes without saying that without your generosity providing the ski passes, the use of the chalet and the extremely warm welcome you extend to the volunteers and the participants, we would not be looking forward to our tenth annual Ski For Hearts coming up in '98". It is only through your support that we come that much closer to reducing the prevalence of heart disease in our communities. Thank you all.

Linda Black
Area Manager, Heart and
Stroke Foundation of Ontario

Boonieville

by Charlie Teljeur





THREE GOALIES ARE BETTER THAN ONE: Broomball was just one of the many activities J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School students took part in last Tuesday during the school's Winter Olympics at YMCA Camp Wanakita.

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Hockey Redmen take on Mustangs in semi-finals

Haliburton high school's hockey Redmen are in the Kawartha playoff semi-finals after scoring a first-round victory over I.E. Weldon's Wildcats last Tuesday.

The Redmen's Chris Moynes sewed up the game and the best-of-three series for Haliburton mid-way through the third period with a pair of goals just 13 seconds apart en route to a 4-3 win.

The two teams went into the final period tied at two apiece, but Moynes put the Redmen ahead on a pass from Ryan Anderson at the 8:24 marker.

Before the Wildcats had time to regroup, Moynes took a feed from Ryan Burk and dumped it in the net at 8:11, giving Haliburton a 4-2 lead.

But I.E. Weldon couldn't be counted out yet. Just 18 seconds later, the Wildcats scored, narrowing Haliburton's advantage to one goal.

However, the Redmen defence kept Weldon off the scoreboard for the remainder of the game.

It took a for while Haliburton's

offence to kick into gear. The Wildcats scored the only goal of the first period.

Mike Morissette and Dave Clark finally got the Redmen moving in the second, giving the team a brief 2-1 lead before I.E. Weldon evened out the score.

Steve Eccelstone, Chris Moynes, Jarrett Rowden and Matt Burk were credited with assists on Haliburton's second period goals.

The Redmen were given a victory for the first game of the series when the Wildcats were unable to ice a team and had to forfeit.

Haliburton is now battling the Crestwood Mustangs to move past the semi-finals.

The Redmen were blanked 3-0 by the Mustangs Friday in the first game of the series and were to play again yesterday, after press time.

The third game in the best-of-three series is set for Wednesday at 8 p.m. in Haliburton, if necessary.

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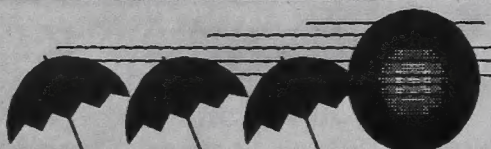
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Nordic Notes

Skiers get personal bests at Keskinada Loppet

by **BLAKE PATON**

Welcome to all OFSAA Nordic 1998 coaches and competitors. The members of the Haliburton Ski Club have worked tirelessly to make sure that the trails and facilities you use are in the best condition possible. We hope you meet all your goals for the competition.

A number of ski club members attended the "Big One" on the weekend of the 14th and 15th, the Keskinada Loppet in Ottawa. This year's edition featured fast snow and a shortened course (42km) due to snow and ice-storm conditions.

Personal bests were inevitable, so congratulations to Bob, Jane and Ainsley Heyes, Marcel Crete, Mike Darlington and Jennifer Paton. Jane finished third in her category in the Women's 20km free technique event.

This week's tip was picked up at the Keskinada. Toe rubbers (you know, those shoe condoms that protect your grandfather's dress shoes from winter weather) are great for protecting your ski boots soles and giving traction on slippery surfaces. Use them to extend the life of your boots and to prevent graceless falls while walking about.

Another great, friendly event

is the Moosewoods Loppet at the Moosewoods trail centre on the first of March. This race is fun and friendly because of the easy terrain at Moosewoods, but last year's competition was strong, too. The post-race snacks are also the best I've run across.

Haliburton Ski Club members should also pencil in some time on the afternoon of March the 7th to attend the Annual General Meeting of the club at the club-

house in Glebe Park. This will be a pot-luck affair that is to be preceded by skiing. Watch for details in next week's column.

The skiing at the Olympics has been superb, and it has been a great advertisement for the sport. I know many non-skiers were impressed by the intensity of the athletes, and the relays provided some of the best entertainment of the games.

I did hear, however, a great

chorus of cursing when the women's relay was interrupted one morning in order to make way for more ice dancing, of all things.

With all the great skiing being shown on television during the Olympics, many wonder what happened to the Canadian skiers, who seemed to disappear behind even the Americans in the relay events.

Word has it that illness affect-

ed some performances, but even that cannot explain the overall poor performance of the team this season (Beckie Scott's good results excluded).

Most agree that the sport simply has not a high enough profile in Canada to attract determined athletes with potential. We hope that the OFSAA competitions here are a step on the road to better things for Canada's ski team.

OMHA Novice Huskies declaw Bobcaygeon Cougars

by **ROY BURK**

On February 19, the OMHA Novice Huskies went to Bobcaygeon for an exhibition game that coach Jim Winn had lined up because of the lull in playoffs.

We'd had fairly close games with the Cougars all season but now they had two more players who had come back from Triple A hockey. Right off the start, one of these players proved his worth by going through most of our team and scoring with a hard shot from inside the face off circle. That was the last

time that period that No. 14 got loose as Tyler Watson and Galen Bowman dogged him the rest of the game.

The Cougars' 1-0 lead broke when Ryan Bottum let a shot fly from the blue line. Dylan Metcalfe tipped it first and then Devin Hunter got a piece of it to tie the game. Near the end of the period, Matt Tripp passed to Adam Sisson who dished off to Dylan Metcalfe who scored to put us in the lead.

Early in the second, Matt initiated the play again when he passed to Devin Hunter who fed Dylan for his second of the

game. A minute and a half later, Adam Sisson passed to Dylan who shot hard at the net and Devin tipped it in. The Cougars started to apply some pressure but Tyler stole the puck and put a beautiful pass onto Scott Lewis' stick. Scott sped towards Bobcaygeon's net on a breakaway where he performed a perfect deke on the Cougars' netminder to give us a four goal lead. The second period scoring ended when Adam passed to Devin. Devin's shot was stopped but Dylan pounded in the rebound.

Halfway through the third, it

was deja vu, when Dylan again tapped in the rebound. Our scoring ended when Tyler stripped a Cougar player of the puck. Scott drove it home from just inside the blue line. With only a couple of minutes left, the Cougars' No. 14 got loose from the face off and scored his second goal but it was too little, too late as we won 8-2.

Kenton Winn filled in for Ian Sachs, our regular goalie. Kenton did a great job defending the net by making several glove saves and being able to pounce quickly on loose pucks.

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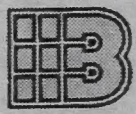
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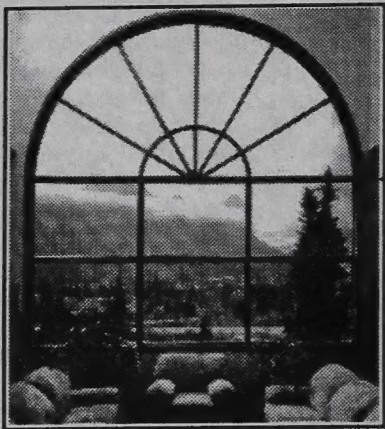
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Former Highlander comes within a stone's throw from the Briars

by MARTHA PERKINS
Editor

In the six years that Paul Madden has been playing lead on Rich Moffatt's curling team, they've made it to the provincial finals four times. But this most recent trip, last week in Peterborough, was the closest they've ever come to earning the Ontario berth at the Briars.

In the semi-final match against Phil Daniel's rink from Tilbury, Madden's team lost seven and two in the round robin play of the Nokia Cup.

"It was fun to be in contention," says Madden, who was taught how to curl by Bob Colliver when Madden was a student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

Madden, who is the son of Louise Cooper of West Guilford (and temporarily, South Korea), loves the sport. "It's more of a finesse type game, like chess in that sense, and it makes the winters go by faster."

Since Madden now spends his winters in Ottawa, where he works for Peoplesoft, a computer software company which specializes in human resources, getting through the chilly winter certainly does require a little diversion.

Now that the curling season is almost coming to a draw, Madden's thoughts are turning to his other, warmer weather pursuit — golf. Thinking about being on those sunny links is another way of making the winters go by faster.

Rocket Tykes score sweet victory on Valentine's Day

by SANDY JOHNSTON

On February 14, the Rocket Tykes played their third and final game against Sunderland in round one of the playoffs. With Wilberforce and Sunderland tied at one each and the best out of three, we knew both teams would come out fighting and they did, right up until the end. It was an exciting, fast paced game with lots of cheering in the stands for both sides.

The first five minutes of the first period was scoreless until Jessee Tallman scored the first two goals, one assisted by Andi Donaldson, the other unassisted.

There were no goals scored for either side in the second.

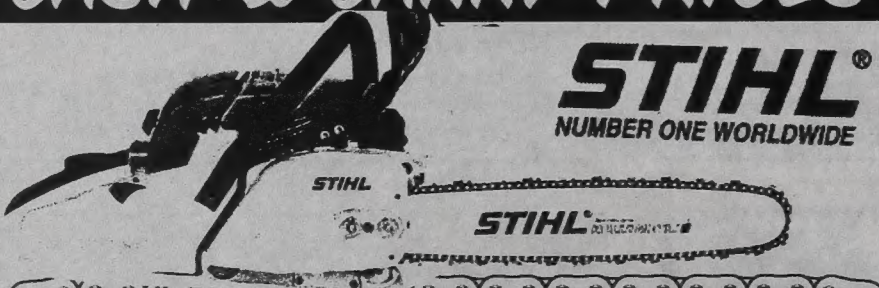
The Rockets came out flying in the third as Matthew Johnston earned an unassisted goal. Sunderland scored the

next two goals, putting them back in the game. For the last couple of minutes, the Rocket fans were on the edge of their seats as Sunderland pulled their goalie and were determined to score but, thanks to great team work and goaltending by Kyle Steele, the Rockets managed to get the puck in Sunderland's end. Andi Donaldson slid the puck into the empty net three seconds before the buzzer, unassisted, making the final score 4-2 Rockets.

Congratulations to Kyle Steele, Matthew Johnston, Julian Forget, Jessee Tallman, Sonny Simmons, Jarret Donaldson, Andi Donaldson and Keaton Gadoway for playing a great game and for contributing to a big win. C.J. Clarkson was missed in this game but also shares in this victory. Good luck in your next round, guys.

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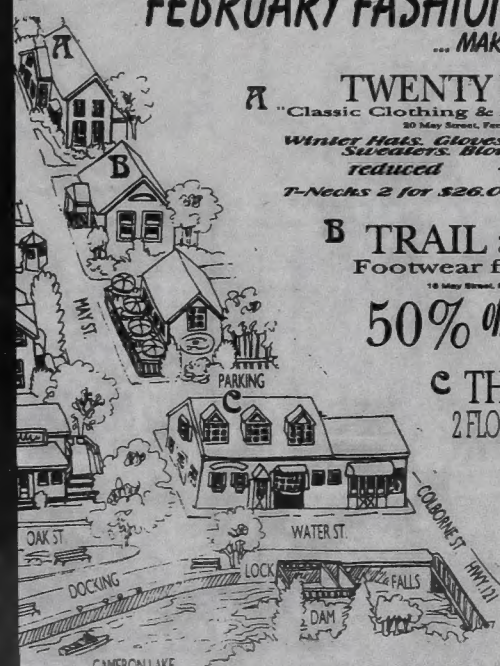
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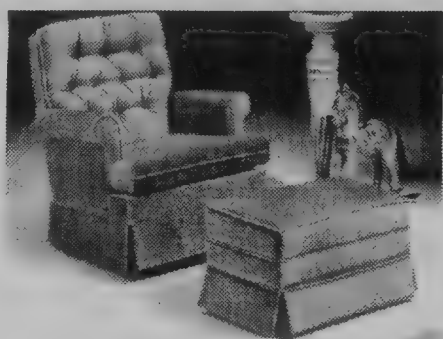
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This, by all accounts, was a smart move, eliminating the need for two arenas and making both franchises viable. Just think of the savings for owner Steve Stavro. Both teams can now share facilities such as training rooms and trainers, they will only need one coach for both teams (it doesn't take much to guide last place teams). The best thing for Mr. Stavro is that when the teams aren't playing, the rink can become a Knob Hill Farms outlet!

On the downside for fans is that seat prices will have to rise, making seats affordable to only the millionaire players themselves. In the first week after the takeover, Mr. Stavro, in true Leaf (Ballard) tradition, traded the Raptors' best player and got rid of the coach. Old habits are hard to change.

All in all, it should be a good move down to Front Street, easier access by both car and public transport and the wide expanse of Front Street allows scalpers plenty of room to hawk their wares!

Starting off the action in the W.O.H.L. was Apsley and Whitney. The Shimanos had a fine first period, netting three from Al Fuller, Peter Palbiski and Marvin Sydock. Sydock had the only tally of the second. Apsley finally got on the board

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Game two had Bancroft Canadian Tire facing the Wilberforce Golden Ponders. Teams traded goals in the first, Bill Fransky for C.T.C. and Dave Swan for the Ponders. Again in the second, the teams traded goals, Jim Goodwin and Dean Kellar for the Tiremen, Tony DeCarlo and Ken Riley for the Golden ones. The Ponders jumped to a lead in the third, markers coming from Bev Billings and Jim Alden but Bancroft fought back as Goodwin notched another and with just .53 seconds left, Steve Farnsworth tied it. Fans imagined this would be the end of it but with .25 seconds left, DeCarlo salted one to end it Wilberforce 6, Bancroft 5.

In game three, it was the Haliburton Hawks vs. the Clarkson Plumbers. The Plumbers got off to a good start in this one with Joe Roberts and Tom Ballentine scoring, Tom Curry replied for the Hawks. Curry had the only goal of the second. In the third, the Hawks took over, outscoring the Plumbers 4-2 and taking the game 6-4. Rounding out the scoring for the Hawks was Glen Sharpley with two, Steve Roberts and Dan Ambridge had singles. For the Plumbers, Joe Roberts completed the trick.

Husky Mites show scoring might

by MICHELLE LEROUX

The Haliburton Mites played host to Woodville on Saturday, February 21. Unfortunately for Woodville, the Haliburton team was flying. Craig Mulholland took a pass from Paxton Leroux and Mark Vasey to put the first point on the scoreboard. Jordon Roberts, with help from Brandon Nimigon and Julian Berry, was right behind him. Nimigon put his own in with assistance from Leroux and Brandon Yake to take Haliburton ahead by three.

Gordon Roberts scored off a pass from

Carson Roberts, then Roberts helped Vasey score one. Paxton Leroux was celebrating his fifth birthday and the feat of scoring four in a row to bring the score to an amazing 9-0. Mulholland was back on the ice to score his second with another assist by Leroux and J. Roberts. Leroux helped J. Roberts put his second one in before Mulholland picked up a hat trick in the last two minutes of the third period.

Mitchell Paterson of Woodville scored the one and only goal for his team. Haliburton finished the game with another goal by Nimigon with assists by J. Roberts and Berry. Final score 13-1.

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PeeWee A/E Huskies score pair of wins to end regular season

by WADE MacINNES

The Huskie Pee Wee "AE" team wrapped up their regular season with a pair of wins. Friday the 13th was a lucky day for the boys as they travelled to Peterborough to take on the Pee Wee City Selects. The Huskies welcomed back Chris Bishop but were missing Norm Smith and Ryan Goldenberg, so they picked up André Nichol from the Pee Wee Tri-County team to help out on defence. The Huskies were too much for Peterborough on this night, dumping the Selects 6-2.

The next day at home, the Pee Wee AEs were hosting the Apsley Flames for their final regular season game. The Huskies were down 3-1 after the first frame but fought back in the second, scoring three times while Apsley answered with a pair. During the flood, the boys were given an inspirational chat and came out flying, scoring two unanswered goals to douse the Flames 6-5. Excellent finish to the game for the Huskies!

In their 47 regular season games, the Huskies had a record of 23 wins, 17 losses and 7 ties with a winning percentage of .575. This is an outstanding record considering the AEs

played 15 of these games against representative teams. Most teams have one big scoring line and one or two checking lines but the AE Huskies have a very balanced team with two equal lines.

Check out this stat: in 47 games, the forward line of Matt Gerry, Matt Manary and Ryan Goldenberg notched 190 points and the other forward line of Shawn MacInnes, Joey Sisson and Joel Johnson notched 185 points. Good balance!! The defensive corps of Adam Tomlinson, Chris Bishop, Jason Chambers, Norm Smith and Matt Reil combined in adding another 75 points. Good shooting!! Alex Frybort in the Haliburton cage for all 47 games had a goals against average of 3.40 with four shut-outs. Good tending!! The Huskies Pee Wee AE parents are to be commended as 30 of the 47 games were on the road. Great commitment!!

As the boys wait to start the playoffs with either Stirling or Ennismore, I'm very confident the Huskie Pee Wee AE team will prevail in the O.M.H.A. AE group four quarter finals.

The "Cherry Pick of the Week" goes to Captain Adam Tomlinson.



WINNING WAYS: On Valentine's Day, the HHSS basketball team hosted its first tournament. Sponsored by Haliburton Subway, the tournament attracted three other teams to the gym at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School. By the end of the day, each team had enjoyed a win and Earl Haig Secondary School in North York (foreground, with the Redmen behind the banner) took home the trophy. The other big winner was the 4Cs, which took boxes of donated food back to the food bank.

Luke Lester 4th in snowmobile X-country race

Seventeen-year-old Luke Lester of Minden, competing in his second ever cross country race, piloted his Polaris XC-600 to a fourth place finish in the Nordcan 250 Cross Country Race. Luke was the first Sport Division Canadian Snow Cross Racing Association (CSRA) driver across the finish line behind three other veteran, Hearst area, non-CSRA racers. He will receive top Sport Class points

for his effort.

Luke ran the 235-mile race in just over 275 minutes including three fuel stops! This time was actually good enough to place him sixth overall - including the Pro Division finishers. Luke was clocking speeds up to 110 miles per hour with temperatures hovering near minus 20 C (2 below F) at race time. The course consisted of tight, ungroomed bush trails, heavily moguled with

rough high speed sections as well as wide open pipe and hydro line trails which pushed riders to full throttle speeds above 100 MPH for long distances on spectacular curvy, bumpy routes.

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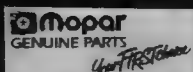
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Carnarvon bowling league results

(Tuesday Afternoon League for the week ending January 24)

Men: Ken Thompson - High Average 225; John Pugh - High Single 248, High Triple 661; Barry Tigert - High Single HC 298, High Triple HC 710

Women: Spira Nitsos - High Average 207, High Single 267, High Single HC 284, High Triple 599, High Triple HC 650

(Wednesday Afternoon League for the week ending January 28)

Men: Ken Thompson - High Average 228, High Single 280, High Single HC 280, High Triple 787, High Triple HC 787

Women: Marie Thompson - High Average 190, High Single 219, High Triple 574, High Triple HC 658

Sandra Edwards - High Single HC 254

(Thursday Afternoon League for

the week ending January 29)

Men: Ken Thompson - High Average 222, High Single 273, High Triple 672; Ben Dentinger - High Single HC 303, High Triple HC 757

Women: Marie Thompson - High Average 193, High Triple 605; Leitha Kuchelema - High Single 250, High Single HC 294; Jean Stead - High Triple HC 751

(Tuesday Nite Mixed League for the week ending February 3)

Men: Bruce Cummings - High Average 235; Bob Webb - High Single 261, High Single HC 292, High Triple 654; Chris Nichols - High Triple HC 751

Women: Spira Nitsos - High Average 203; Kathy Foster - High Single 257, High Single HC 290; Marlene Robinson - High Triple 621; Betty Jackson - High Triple HC 766

(Wednesday Afternoon League for the week ending February 4)

Men: Ken Thompson - High Average 226 Marcel Roussel - High Single 286, High Single HC 334, High Triple HC 761; John Whitty Sr. - High Triple 670

Women: Marie Thompson - High Average 191; June Munns - High Single 271, High Single HC 311, High Triple 704, High Triple HC 824

(Thursday Afternoon League for the week ending February 5)

Men: Ken Thompson - High Average 222; Ben Dentinger - High Single 323, High Single HC 352; Merv Bunker - High Triple 737, High Triple HC 821

Women: Marie Thompson - High Average 192; Helen Dentinger - High Single 348, High Single HC 380, High Triple 767, High Triple HC 863

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Squash club tries to bounce back from membership drop

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Dropping membership and rising expenses are threatening the future of Haliburton's Squash Club.

And some members worry the community won't know what it may be losing until it's too late.

"It's a positive thing to have in the community," said the club's past president, J. D. Bishop. "It's an extra facility to have that many other communities don't have. It's so a draw for people who retire here and still want to stay active."

"When you have something right there in your community, sometimes you don't always realize how good it is," said member Peter Shennett, who regularly makes the hour drive to the club from his Fenelon Falls home for games.

He could choose to play in Lindsay or Peterborough, but likes the facilities and atmosphere better in Haliburton.

"It's a fantastic set-up. Haliburton is very lucky to have The club's two courts were built about 20 years ago in the same building shared by the village's curling facility. The building itself is owned by the municipality of Ely, but the two clubs operate independently.

At its peak more than 100 members belonged to the squash club. Others can use the club on a pay-you-play basis for a \$10 fee.

But over the past couple of years, membership has been dwindling. Today there are only about 25 players on the members' list — too few to cover the club's monthly expenses.

"The electricity bills really are that kills us," says Al Ferguson.

He and Shennett estimated the club's Hydro bills make up nearly three quarters of its annual cost to operate of between \$8,000 and \$10,000.

The remainder is paid to the curling club management for oil heating, insurance and cleaning charges.

In the fall members held an emergency meeting to discuss the club's financial situation and were very close the shutting it down, says Ferguson.

But instead, they opted to double their annual dues to \$300 from \$150 to help the club get out of its nearly \$3,000 debt.

Now a handful of members, including Shennett, Ferguson and others, are trying to think of ways to boost usage at the club.

They're hoping for a base of at least 30 to 40 members to ensure the club makes enough to cover its operating costs.

Because squash is such an active sport, it appeals mainly to men and women between 20 and 40, said Shennett. "We really need to focusing on attracting people from that age group."

But there's also a potentially large crowd of younger players — high school and elementary school students — who could help the club stay in the red.

However, because there are only two courts, it's difficult for schools to use the club as part of

regular phys ed classes.

Shennett said the club will look into developing a junior membership program.

Bishop, whose own children play squash at the club, said the game can be great entertainment for families. A family membership is \$500 per year.

There are also club members who are over 65 so it shouldn't be ruled out by seniors.

"We've been struggling a bit with membership, but you can

still have a very social time at the club. We have tournament and an active house league," said Bishop.

While many other communities in the province are seeing similar membership declines, interest in the game should bounce back, Bishop said.

"It's a sport you can play for your whole life so there's no reason why it can't have a future."

People interested in trying out the courts at Haliburton's squash club can call 457-2830.

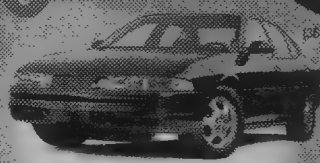


THAT'S THE WAY: Haliburton Squash Club past president J. D. Bishop gives beginners Steve and Mary Wilcox a few pointers before they play their first game last Thursday. The club, which has been struggling with low membership, is hoping more people will start using the courts to make

SPRING BREAK FOR GROWN-UPS.

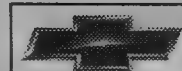
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EXCITING SERIES OPENER: Haliburton's Husky Midgets opened their playoff series with Lakefield Sunday, winning 3-2.



Husky Midgets finish regular season with only one loss

The Haliburton Midgets finished their regular season with only one defeat to blemish their record. This group of young men are well worth the price of admission, something Ken Dryden probably wishes he could say about the Leafs.

The Midgets opened their play-offs with a best of five series

against a team from Mariposa. Proving that the regular season was not a fluke, the Huskies swept the series three games to none with scores of 7-5, 4-2 and 4-2.

On Sunday, February 22 the Huskies opened their quarter final series against the Lakefield Chiefs. This game lived up to the

pre-series hype. "Mr. Goalie" Greg Schell was outstanding in this game. Greg, along with defensemen Andrew Burtch, Matt Reid, Dave Clark, Devon Dart and Dan Koz held the Huskies in the game until the offence kicked in.

At 13:36 of the second period, Steve St. Cyr finished off a slick

passing play from Matt Burk and Jason Henry. Matt Burk scored at 10:10 of the third period from Jason Henry and Steve St. Cyr. And just ten seconds later, Jason Henry scored with assists going to Matt Burk and Steve St. Cyr.

This game was a battle from start till finish, with the Chiefs never saying die. The outcome of

this game could have been a different if not for the defense work of forwards M. Morissette, Blaine Saunde, Chris Moynes, Greg Luck, Pugh, Matt Billings and G. Forgrave. Final score Huskies 3, Chiefs 2. Great effort guys. Keep it up. The next home game is February 28 at 8 p.m.

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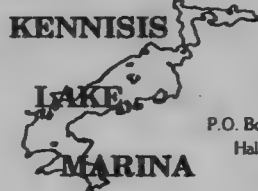
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Team play helps Atom B Huskies at tournament

The Atom B Huskies travelled Woodville on February 14 to participate in a tournament. The first team we met was New Cumseith and the game proved to be a good indicator of what the rest of the day was going to be. The game ended in our favour with a score of 1-0. Our lone goal was scored by Kyle Espie, assisted by Nick Judge in the first period.

Our second game, against Port Perry, also saw tight action and ended in our favour 3-2. The last 10 seconds for us was scored with only 10 seconds left in the third period. Goals were scored by Nick Judge, Michel Leroux and Jonathan Sharpley. Assists went to Shawn Heming, Greg Nimigon and Nick Judge (2).

We were then in the championship game against Mariposa, whom we had played earlier in the season with a loss. The team made the game very exciting for the crowd. Unfortunately, we were unable to bring home the championship trophies but not

one of the boys should be ashamed by losing the game by a score of 2-1. We had lots of chances to score but the puck would not co-operate. The MVP of the game for our team was Jonathan Sharpley, who received an Olympic watch. All of the boys received a very impressive trophy to take home. Our lone goal was scored in the second period by Jonathan Sharpley, assisted by Nick Judge.

On February 15, we continued our playoff series and hosted Beaverton 2. Our team came out flying and did not quit until the final buzzer. The team played an excellent game, setting up plays and carrying them through. Also, we had no penalties. The final score was 8-2 in our favour and that ended our games with this team from Beaverton for the year. Some very nice goals were scored, a pleasure for our side to watch. Goals were scored by Jonathan Sharpley (2), Nick Judge (3), Kyle Espie (3). Assists went to Shawn Heming, Kyle

Espie, Michel Leroux, Nick Judge, Jonathan Sharpley, Gord Timbers, Nick Chumbley, Jamie

Timbers, Travis Burke and Greg Nimigon.
We have one more game against

Manvers to complete the first playoff round. Action continues on February 24 in Manvers.



ALL TOGETHER: The Haliburton Silver Blades demonstrated their skills at a precision skating meet on February 14 in Whitby and had a great time. Our thanks to Julie Hartin for the photo.

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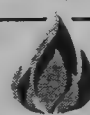
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Paging Ryan Wood

■ Grade 8 student set
for job at Queen's Park

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

Last spring 14-year-old Ryan Wood caught a glimpse of the way Queen's Park works when he shadowed the riding's MPP for a day.

But this year the Grade 8 student at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School will get an even more intimate understanding of how politicians conduct the province's business.

Wood has been selected from hundreds of applicants to serve as one of 40 pages when the Legislature begins its spring session in mid-April.

He received word last week that his application had been accepted.

"There were 400 applicants so the gentleman told me I should be very proud of my son," said Ryan's mom, Connie Wood.

Ryan said he wanted to be a legislative page and learn more about the government after he job shadowed Victoria-Haliburton MPP and management board chair Chris Hodgson last year.

"I'm looking forward to it.. I'm excited about meeting all of the MPPs."

As a page, Wood will carry messages back and forth between MPPs while the Legislature is in session. It's set to resume on April 14 and should last between four and six weeks.

After daily Legislative sessions the 40 pages — all Grade 7 and 8 students from ridings across the province — are tutored in regular classroom subjects.

To qualify to become a page Ryan had to have a mini-



Ryan Wood, a 14-year-old student at J. Douglas Hodgson Elementary School will be heading off to Queen's Park in April, where he'll work as a Legislative page for between four and six weeks.

mum average of 80 per cent and submit a résumé along with a written recommendation from his principal.

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"I do think having Chris as our MPP was to Ryan's advantage," said Mrs. Wood.



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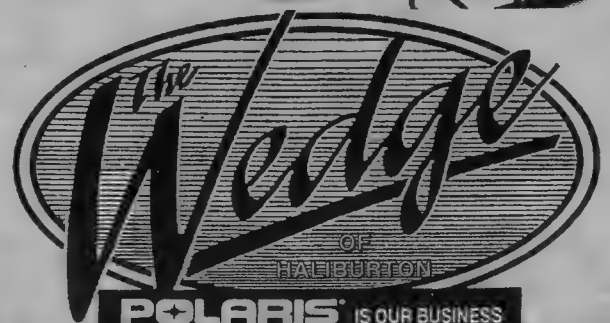
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Take-over bid angers health unit chairman

Keith Tallman, board chair of the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit was openly critical of the Peterborough County-City Health Unit upon hearing of an attempted takeover bid.

Board members learned earlier this week of a secret meeting held February 5 at the request of Peterborough County and the City of Peterborough.

At this meeting, the Peterborough Health Unit presented a plan to take over public health services currently delivered by the HKPRD Health Unit. Neither the Medical Officer of Health nor board members of the Health Unit were invited or informed of the meeting.

"I am very disappointed by Peterborough's actions," said Tallman, Haliburton County's representative of the board of health. "For the Peterborough Health Unit to initiate discussions without our knowledge or involvement casts a very unfavourable light on their inten-

tions."

The proposal, reviewed by the HKPRD Health Unit Board on Tuesday, calls for public health services for the City of Peterborough and the four counties of Peterborough, Haliburton, Victoria and Northumberland to be delivered by one agency. Peterborough County-City Health Unit proposes to be that agency.

"This proposal contains a great number of inaccuracies. It has the potential to seriously undermine our ability to deliver quality public health services to the residents of our area," said Dr. Alex Hukowich, Medical Officer of Health for the HKPRD Health Unit.

At the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Health, members received a report from Dr. Hukowich which questions the accuracy of Peterborough's proposal. Of major concern was the proposed budget reduction of close to \$2 million of public health services

and programs currently provided by the local Health Unit.

Board member Bill Pettingill (Brighton Mayor) moved that Dr. Hukowich's report be sent to the Wardens and CAO's of Haliburton, Victoria and Northumberland Counties, and that Dr. Hukowich be invited to all three County Councils to present his report. Copies of the report have been forwarded to area MPP's Doug Galt and Chris Hodgson. Details of the report will be made public later this week.

The Health Unit is mandated by the province to provide a minimum level of programs and standards. For over a half-century, the health unit has been providing programs and services that promote health, prevent illness and protect against disease. Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge Health Unit currently provides public health programs and services to 147,500 residents in the counties of Haliburton, Victoria and Northumberland.

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March 5 - LIFT (Ladies In Fellowship Together). Feature: Hospice with Linda May-Powers. Music: Liz Byelis. Speaker: Alice Jones, "It's never too late." 7:30 p.m., West Guilford Baptist Church. Information: Call Alice, 754-2808.
March 6 - "Who is My Neighbour" WORLD DAY OF PRAYER. 7 p.m. Lakeside Baptist Church. All welcome (men, women and children)
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Dysart council cold on snow-clearing bylaw

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items
discussed at Dysart council's meeting last
Monday.

Councillors have thrown cold water on a
proposal to force downtown business oper-
ators to clean their walks of snow and ice
immediately following snowfalls.

In a number of municipalities in other
parts of the province, business owners may
face fines if they don't shovel sidewalks in
front of their properties within a set num-
ber of hours after it has snowed.

Dysart has been called on numerous
times to enact a similar bylaw.

Councillors considered a draft snow
removal bylaw, but maintained it would be
difficult to enforce and likely wouldn't
save the municipality any money.

Presently Dysart plows all sidewalks
within its border.

Reeve Murray Fearrey noted that forcing
business operators downtown to remove
snow and ice from their own walks would
cut the municipality's plowing time by only
90 minutes per snowfall.

It would also create an inequitable situa-
tion where residents on some streets in the
village have their walks plowed, while
those living downtown have to shovel
them, he said.

Ward 1 councillor Nancy Roberts said it
would be costly for the municipality to
enforce the bylaw.

Museum budget

After enduring budget cuts for the past
couple of years, the director of
Haliburton's museum is calling on council
to begin increasing the facility's funding.

Tom Ballantine told councillors he
understands the municipality is facing a
time of "unprecedented" financial chal-
lenges as it takes on new responsibilities.

However, he said the museum's role is
also changing, placing greater demands on
its pared-down resources.

"Last year the museum operated on a
budget that was less than 10 years ago and
staffing that was less than in 1984,"
Ballantine said.

Reduced funding last year meant the
museum's only other full-time employee
had to take a one-month lay-off.

Ballantine asked the municipality to
increase the museum's annual budget by
about \$3,100 so that the employee's hours
could be re-instated and some repairs could
be made to the building.

Last year the municipality provided the
museum approximately \$70,000 in opera-
tional funding.

Ballantine told councillors the museum
has also been able to generate more rev-
enue through various events, including this
week's OFSAA nordic ski races at Glebe
Park which raised \$150 per day for the
museum.

"People are glad we're open ... They're
happy we're there," he said.

By last week the museum had already
received more than 600 visitors this year
and several hundred calls for information.

Council told Ballantine the museum's
budget request would be considered as it
assembles a municipal budget for the year
ahead.

Road transfer

The Ministry of Transportation has
agreed to give Dysart \$459,000 to upgrade
and maintain the stretch of Highway 121
(from County Rd. 1 to Maple Ave.) the
province has transferred to the municipali-
ty.

The funding will allow Dysart to correct
the road's drainage and have it resurfaced.

A portion of the money may also go
toward replacing the asphalt strips adjacent
to main street's sidewalks, as recommend-
ed by an urban design consultant who
looked at ways of sprucing up the village
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Reeve Murray Fearrey said upgrade work
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Councils want downloading answers

by PETER DOWNS
Staff Reporter

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Stanhope council's meeting on Feb. 11.

Municipalities are growing increasingly frustrated by the lack of financial details the provincial government is giving them about the services they're being forced to take on, said Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

She told councillors she's still no further ahead on the impacts of downloading, despite listening to several cabinet ministers speak to municipal officials at a major conference earlier in the week.

"You never got a really good answer to any of the questions that any of the ministers were asked so you're left with the feeling that maybe they don't really know."

Harrison noted that county council was to hold its first budget meeting last Wednesday, but lacked vital information about the costs of the many new responsibilities it has to pay for.

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario contends the service swap will not be "revenue neutral," as promised by the province.

Predicting municipal councils will have to hike taxes to help pay for downloading, AMO recently passed a resolution demanding that Queen's Park provide even more funding than it has already committed to ease the transition.

In neighbouring Anson, Hindon and Minden, councillors passed their own resolution in support of AMO.

Minden Reeve Jeanne Anthon, who attended the same conference as Harrison, called the situation municipalities have been placed in by the province "almost abusive."

"All municipalities are reacting the same way we are, which is to say this is not revenue neutral. There's just no way the province can say it is."

Tax change confusion

Councillors are expecting tax changes to cause confusion among land owners with large forest lots and farm properties who will soon receive their interim bills.

Under the former system, rebates were given only to those landowners who qualified.

But assessment changes introduced by the provincial government will see all properties listed as farm or managed forest lands pay just 25 per cent of the residential rate for their land on their interim bill.

Those who don't meet the qualification requirements, will have to pay the full residential rate on their next bill and return the discount they received.

"I think it's going to create some problems on that sec-

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ond billing," said Reeve Harrison. "... I think there are going to be surprises out there."

Landowners who know nothing of the tax reforms are bound to be particularly confused, she noted.

Clerk-administrator Gerald Bain told councillors there are 63 properties listed as managed forest or farm land, but only about 10 of them will actually qualify for the tax cut.

Cemetery offer

Council is considering an offer by the Anglican Diocese of Toronto to take ownership of the cemetery at St. Stephen's Church.

The municipality already looks after maintenance at the site. The Diocese has offered to transfer the cemetery to Stanhope and provide it with \$10,000 from a maintenance capital account.

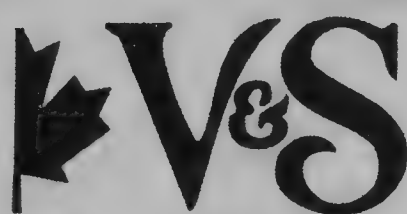
Before agreeing to the offer, councillors decided to seek advice from the municipality's solicitor.

Under budget

Harrison congratulated the municipality's roads department for ending 1997 ahead of budget.

The department finished the year roughly \$20,000 ahead, spending about \$206,000 on maintenance and \$5,000 on construction, said Bain.

"The roads workers are to be commended. They've done an excellent job at staying within budget," said the reeve.



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Something to sing about:

Tamarack works its magic at Gooderham School

by MARTHA PERKINS



SANDY WINDER doesn't know whether to cry or give another of her double-barrelled, high-pitched whistles as the students on the stage at the Haliburton Legion take their bow.

"I've never been so up close and personal with something that's so magical," she says, her happiness and pride brimming from her eyes.

The magic had started to happen two days earlier, when the three members of Tamarack arrived at the Gooderham Elementary School, where Mrs. Winder is an education assistant. From the first introductions to Friday night's public performance at the Legion, Tamarack helped transform the students into innovative and creative songwriters and singers. In the process, they also helped teach Gooderham's youngest residents that they do have something to sing about when it comes to their love of their home town.

Proof was in the performance. At times absolutely delightful, at times entertainingly informative, Friday's concert was at all times a testament to the talents of both the students and Tamarack.

The Vikings may have their Norse legends, the English might have the tales of Camelot, but Ontario has Tamarack to transform history into compelling chronicles of a province's struggle to assert its personality onto a sometimes unfriendly landscape. Of course, some of Tamarack's songs journey past Ontario's borders to explore the nation's past, but James Gordon, Molly Kurvink and Alex Sinclair have definitely earned the unofficial title of Ontario's troubadours.

Gooderham principal Georgina Boyle was wise to invite them to her school for a three-day workshop. Among the teachers this year, whatever their other strengths, no one has a strong musical background



and Mrs. Boyle felt the absence of song. Apart from all the studies which have shown a strong link between music and a resulting adeptness at math, she simply felt that music rounds out a child's education about life.

A few years earlier, she was teaching at a school in British Columbia when Tamarack came for a visit. So impressed was she by the band's facility in getting the students to become songwriters, she asked the band to come to Gooderham and set about raising the \$2,500 fee from local organizations and businesses, which responded with great enthusiasm.

The first day was spent teaching the rudimentary principles of music and songwriting and by day two, the students had broken into smaller groups to write their own songs. What is there to write about in a town of a few

hundred souls? You'd be amazed — and so were the students.

In the younger grades, they wrote about what was nearest and dearest to their hearts — recess and "fish gut pie", aka ice fishing.

The middle grades were showing their true stripes as Canadians by writing about the weather, and not just any weather. The drama of the tornado of '47 and bad winter storms compelled them to mimic Mother Nature's sound and fury. (When James Gordon suggests they make storm sounds to illustrate their song on windy winter nights, the students lose any semblance of concentration by giving their best werewolf and scary creature impersonations. By Friday night's performance, however, they were back to scary yet realistic sounds of wind rattling windows and shak-

ing bones.)

They also gave a humorous twist the story about how the local lumbermen agreed to name their town Gooderham in exchange for a barrel of liquor from the Gooderham and Worts Toronto distillery.

The older students turned the stories they had heard from visiting "oldtimers" into fascinating chronicles of the village's past as a lumber town, and the resulting rowdiness of what happened when the lumbermen came to town on a Saturday night.

"The kids are amazing," says Mrs. Boyle during the Thursday lunch break.

"All the grades four, five and sixes needed was us to say 'let's write a song' and they were off," agrees Molly Kurvink, enjoying a salad prepared by one of the volunteer mothers.

"The rewarding thing for us,"

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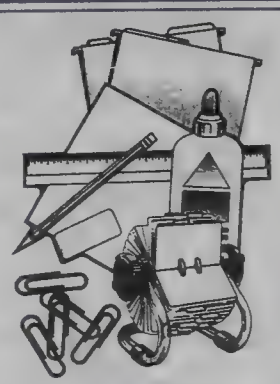
On Thursday, James Gordon (above) and other members of Tamarack helped the students of Gooderham school write songs about what makes their village so special. By Friday night, the songs were so polished that the students' performance at the Haliburton Legion was a pure delight

says James Gordon, "is that some of them will come away with the confidence of knowing they can do this and it's a form of expression they might not have otherwise known they have."

Alex Sinclair wants the students to realize that writing a song isn't something that only special people can do. "It's really good to learn a creative skill, a communication skill, and it's also useful for kids to see musicians and realize they could do that if they want to. It's another option for them."

Then there's just the pure joy of singing — a joy that was transparently recognizable on the faces of the kids as they tested out their new songs (which were recorded Friday afternoon at the school and Friday night at the concert. Kayla Manley also sang

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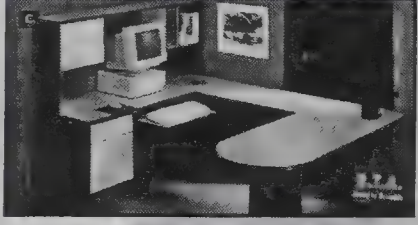
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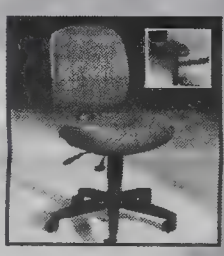
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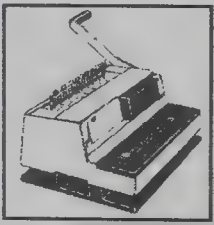


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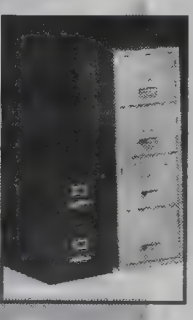


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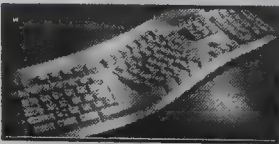
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I was in the station waiting for a train
The wind started to blow
And the sky turned black
What was that roaring down the track?

I asked my mother, "What's that
noise?"
She looked out the window and said
"Well, it sounds like the train
But it could not be.
Holey Moley, it's the worst thing I can
see."

CHORUS:

It's a Twister
Cars are flying off the track
It's lifting everything
The trees are bending 'til they crack
It's a Twister
Go throw water on the old wood stove
So the house won't catch on fire
Then we'll hide 'til the twister goes.

Thank God for the Kinmount Fair
Everyone from Gooderham was there
So nobody got really hurt
Though some homes were smashed
Right through the wall a piano crashed

Logging Camp

by GRADES 4, 5 & 6

Way back in the logging camps
When the winters were cold and damp
The men go to the logging camps
and never, ever change their pants.
The winter days were cold and long.
To pass the time, they'd sing this song.

CHORUS:
We Gooderham logging men are strong.
We swing our axes all day long.
We can lift the heaviest logs.
At dinnertime we eat like hogs.

The winters never seemed to end,
The women stayed to cook and mend.
The wind would blow hard as it could,
While the men were splitting wood.

CHORUS:
We Gooderham logging men are strong.
We swing our axes all day long.
We can lift the heaviest logs.
At dinnertime we eat like hogs.

We load the logs upon the sleigh,
Tugboats take them through the bay.
As the water runs downhill,
It generates that big old mill.

CHORUS:
We Gooderham logging men are strong.
We swing our axes all day long.
We can lift the heaviest logs.
At dinnertime we eat like hogs.

Us logging men are never wrong.
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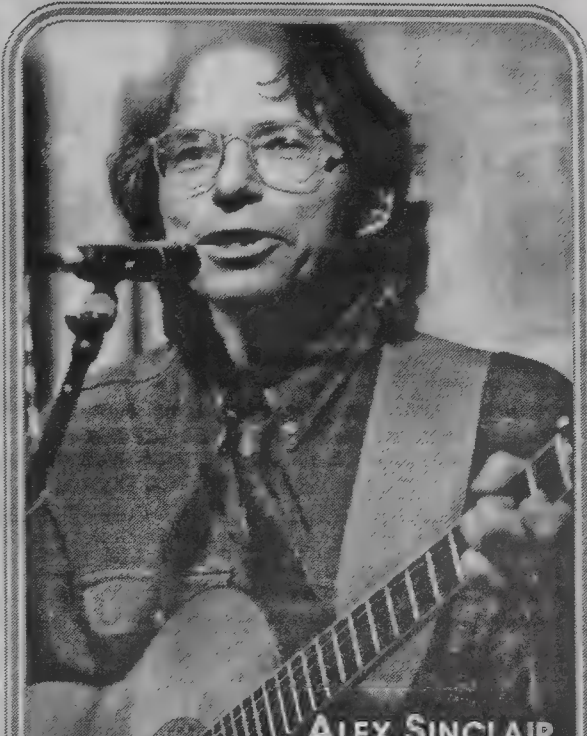
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Tamarack casts its spell on Highlands

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a song she had written about Gooderham with her father, Gordon, and which is now used as the theme song for Gooderham's Horseshoe Days.)
"Don't we have just the best kids around," Georgiena Boyle asked the audience on Friday night, with little doubt of the response.
In thanking the students and the school for hosting them, Alex Sinclair was also effusive in his praise. "It never ceases to amaze me the ability that children have to create stuff. If you haven't spent time at the Gooderham School, you should because it's a pretty neat place."
Somewhere in the crowd, Sandy Winder's eyes were misting over and when she couldn't come up with the words to tell everyone how much she agreed, she let out a loud whistle. The message was clear.

Recess

by KINDERGARTEN AND GRADE 1

Going down the slippery slide.
Get out of the way so we don't collide.
Building a big fort out of snow.
Making snowballs we can't throw.
CHORUS:
Recess, recess, we go outside for recess.
Recess, recess, we go outside and play.
We make a little ball out of snow.
Keep on rolling 'til it grows.
Three snowballs stack 'em high.
Use some stones to make his eyes.
An orange carrot for his nose, sticks for arms I suppose.

We swing on the swings and then jump off.
The wind is cold and it makes me cough.
When they ring the old hand bell
we go inside where we can't yell.

Take off your coats and mitts and snowpants
Where we wait for another chance.

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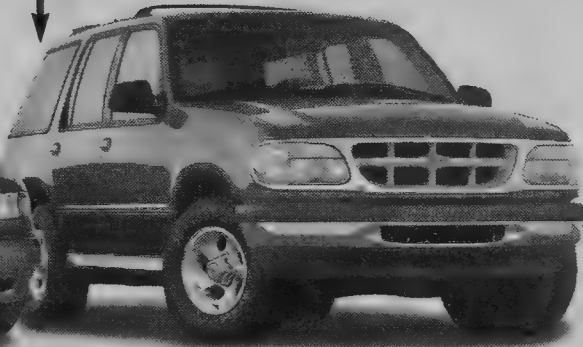
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Moreover you can take advantage of the benefits of compounding tax-free. Investment income earned inside an RRSP is not taxed until the funds are withdrawn. Accordingly, portfolios inside an RRSP grow faster than portfolios outside an RRSP. Combine this with the fact that, the longer you leave an investment in your RRSP,

the more the effects of compounding will result in tremendous growth. So, if you can contribute to your RRSP but your income is so low that you won't get much of a tax deduction, still consider making the contribution to take advantage of tax-free compounding.

Similarly, interest earned by money in investments outside an RRSP is fully taxable, whereas interest earned by money inside an RRSP is tax-sheltered. If you have the money and the RRSP contribution room available, invest in your RRSP first even if you plan to take the deduction later.

Many alternatives in RRSP'S

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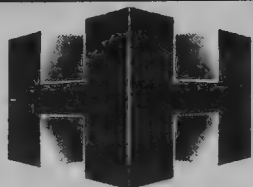
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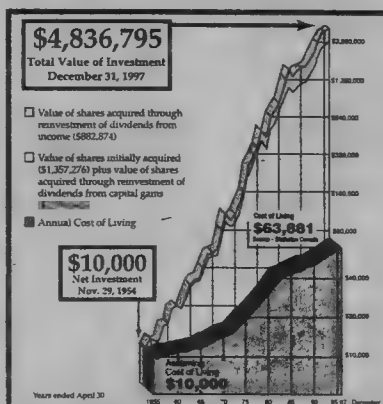
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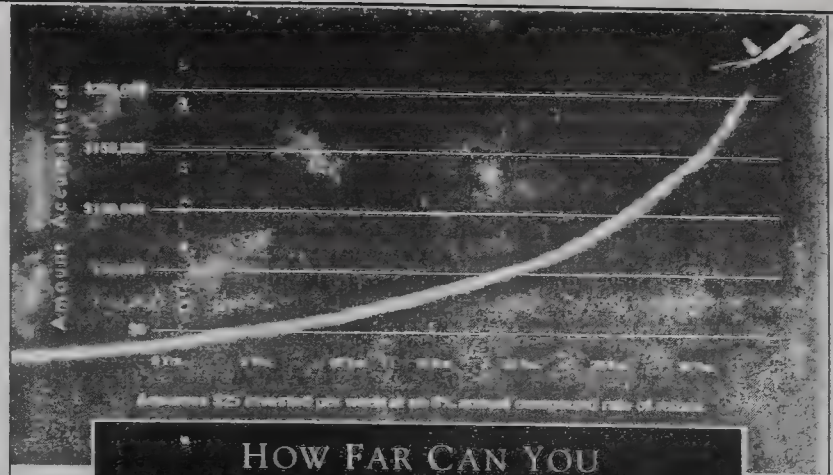
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WILBERFORCE OLYMPICS

Last Wednesday afternoon was devoted to outdoor education at Wilberforce School, which celebrated winter by having the students get out and enjoy it. Clockwise from top left: At least when you fell, the snow was a cushion; two competitors in the snowshoe relay try to pick up speed; a student takes aim with a snowball in the "biathlon"; and students cheer on their teammates while waiting their turn



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To be eligible, the candidate must:

- work and/or reside in the Victoria or Haliburton counties which are served by the College.

- have demonstrated a commitment to improving the quality of life within their community.

- past nominees are eligible.

The 1998 Fellowship in Applied Education Award will be presented at the Sir Sandford Fleming College Convocation ceremony in June.

Deadline for nominations:
March 28, 1998.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

Don McCumber
Fellowship Award Committee
Phone (705) 324-9144, ext. 3269
Fax (705) 878-9312

Haliburton, Kawartha & Pine Ridge



Letter of Appreciation

The Members and staff of the Haliburton, Kawartha & Pine Ridge District Health Council (DHC) wish to inform the public that the office of the Council will be closed as of March 31, 1998.

The Ministry of Health announced in September 1997 that District Health Councils across the province will be reduced from 33 to 16. This reduction will occur through amalgamation of existing DHCs. The Haliburton, Kawartha & Pine Ridge District Health Council will be amalgamated with the Durham District Health Council.

The members and staff of this DHC take this opportunity to thank its many volunteers for their work and efforts to build a healthy community. The infrastructure for planning of this DHC has been vital and successful because of the countless hours of commitment that volunteers have contributed on behalf of the community and the counties of Haliburton, Northumberland, Peterborough and Victoria.

To prepare the new Council for its role in planning on behalf of our four counties and the Region of Durham, we have prepared a hand-off report which documents the many planning tables and initiatives of this DHC. The report will be forwarded to the new DHC and to the Ministry of Health prior to the closure of our office at the end of March. Copies of this report will also be available in our office.

To ensure that the extensive work that has been done by the Council on behalf of the community is maintained as a resource to the public, copies of the DHC reports, needs assessments and plans will be provided to: Trent University, the Peterborough Area office of the Ministry of Community and Social Services, and the Peterborough and Lindsay offices of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

In appreciation of the countless hours that volunteers who have participated on the many committees, and task forces have spent, the District Health Council is hosting a volunteer appreciation reception on March 12 between the hours of 2:00 and 5:30 p.m. at the office of the DHC, located at 159 King Street, Suite 300, Peterborough. We owe a great deal to our volunteers and hope that this coming together will demonstrate how sincerely we value the work of our many communities, task forces and supporters.

We are sure that the new Council, when it is formed, will enjoy the same community support that has been afforded our DHC. Again, we thank you for your years of commitment to making our district a healthy community.

Doris Brick, Chair

Poster contest celebrates carnival

WILBERFORCE News

Hilda Clark
448-2018

The Loop. Winter Carnival Poster Contest brought in entries from some very talented young artists. In the age 7 and under category the awards

presented were: Daniel Beelby 1st, Amanda Petrie 2nd, Kristen Nicholson 3rd, Ashley Alden Honourable Mention. In the age 8 and over: Patricia (Trish) Vanier 1st, Daniel Vanier 2nd, Adam Begich 3rd, Philip Austin Honourable Mention.

Thanks to Mary Barker for this information. Posters have been well

displayed at Agnew's Store.

A pleasant afternoon of Court Whist and a busy evening of traditional board and card games was the Wilberforce Heritage Guild's way of observing Heritage Week 1998. In the Court Whist game, players were kept busy concentrating as the rules for each round changed

slightly. In the round named Prosperity, each trick counted double; in Conspiracy, no partners, with each player scoring their own tricks only; in Revolution, everyone tried to lose because each side scored their opponents' trick. But Confiscation proved the undoing of at least two players. In that round, players lost three points every time they spoke after cards were

dealt.

Judy Johnson and Ross Agnews were top scorers of the afternoon.

In the evening, the local Girl Guides and their leaders joined avidly in the games. Such a welcome mix of all ages carrying on the tradition established by various nurses that lived and worked at the Outpost. That building was often the centre of social activities as well as

the source of medical help.

Students of the week at the school were Alisha Townsend in Kindergarten, Carolyn Barnes in Grade 1, Lana Cole in Grade 2, Justin Robar in Grades 3/4 and Kanan Quibel in Grades 5/6. The Grade 5/6 students will be involved in VIP through the police. The program deals with issues such as safety.

Be a kid's friend through Family Services

For as little as three hours a week, you can make a difference in the life of a child. Families of children with social, emotional and behavioral problems identify parent relief as their number one need. You can provide parents with the "gift" of a break and a chance to recharge their batteries, and at the same time give a child the gift of gaining new experiences and making new friends.

Family Services of Haliburton County offers three kinds of parent relief

services and opportunities for you to volunteer:

1. Kid Companions are volunteers who take a child or youth on outings in the community (e.g. swimming, skating, fishing) or spend time in the child's home for two to three hours each week.
2. Host Family provides a rewarding volunteer experience which doesn't take away from family time. It enriches family life by having you share your good times with another child one to two days a month.

3. Emergency Parent Relief may happen when a parent needs to seek professional counselling, attend a medical appointment or attend to the needs of other family members. As a volunteer, you would care for a child for a short period of time (less than 18 hours).

All volunteers are reimbursed for out-of-pocket expenses and mileage.

For more information on how you can give that special gift of volunteering, contact Marilou Mizzan at 457-5345.

West Guilford looks forward to new play

by **ELEANOR COOPER**

Rehearsals for Highland Little Theatre's spring production "Night Watch" are underway with Donna Ottley as leading lady.

Wishes for better health

to Brant Sisson, in Haliburton Hospital and to Merrie Barry who is home now from about a week in hospital as well.

Laura Jane Chumbley, daughter of Ken and Valerie Chumbley is now

employed in Mississauga by World Vision.

Debbie and Darren Sisson of Kingston were home with Ray and Norma Sisson for a week-end early in February.

CARNARVON BOWLING & ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

TUESDAY AFTERNOON For the Week Ending Feb. 7/98		
MEN		
High Average	Ken Thompson	225
High Single	Ken Thompson	284
High Single HC	Ken Thompson	676
High Triple	Ken Thompson	676
High Triple HC	Jim Finlay	776
WOMEN		
High Average	Spira Nitsos	206
High Single	Ruby Nitsos	206
High Single	Ruby Francis	301
High Triple	Ruby Francis	597
High Triple HC	Muriel Green	737

TUESDAY NIGHT MIXED For the Week Ending Feb. 10/98		
MEN		
High Average	Bruce Cummings	234
High Single	Eric Burk	298
High Single HC	Mike Vuksic	337
High Triple	Eric Burk	691
High Triple HC	Mike Vuksic	851
WOMEN		
High Average	Spira Nitsos	206
High Single	Marlene Robinson	244
High Single	Marlene Robinson	270
High Triple	Marlene Robinson	674
High Triple HC	Marlene Robinson	752

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON For the Week Ending Feb. 11/98		
MEN		
High Average	Ken Thompson	225
High Single	George Hamilton	244
High Single HC	George Hamilton	284
High Triple	Award Edwards	689
High Triple HC	Award Edwards	767
WOMEN		
High Average	Marie Thompson	191
High Single	Marie Thompson	255
High Single	Bea James	307
High Triple	Marie Thompson	573
High Triple HC	Verna Sawyer	750

THURSDAY AFTERNOON For the Week Ending Feb. 12/98		
MEN		
High Average	Ken Thompson	222
High Single	Ken Thompson	268
High Single HC	Jim Hindle	284
High Triple	Ken Thompson	699
High Triple HC	Jim Hindle	761
WOMEN		
High Average	Marie Thompson	192
High Single	Helen Dentinger	271
High Single	Helen Dentinger	299
High Triple	Helen Dentinger	690
High Triple HC	Helen Dentinger	774

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DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD NO. 15

Invitation for Prequalification Proposals for General Contractors Bracebridge & Muskoka Lakes Secondary School Phase 2B, Bracebridge, Ontario

District School Board No. 15 proposes to request stipulated price contract tenders for extensive renovations and alterations at Bracebridge & Muskoka Lakes Secondary School shortly.

Prequalification Proposals are requested from General Contractors who have recently completed work similar in type and scope to this project.

The Scope of Work includes renovations to the following:

- Administration/Guidance/Co-op
- Dietary Training Kitchen
- Classrooms
- Staff work room/Staff room

The present schedule anticipates a Stipulated Price Contract award in April 1998 and completion in August 1998.

Prequalification proposal forms may be obtained from the offices of Stewart Smith Architect Ltd. and shall be submitted on the form provided in a sealed envelope identified as:

Prequalification Proposal,
Bracebridge & Muskoka Lakes Secondary School, Phase 2B,
Bracebridge, Ontario

and shall be delivered to:

Stewart Smith Architect Limited,
11 Main St. W., Unit 2,
Huntsville, Ontario P1H 2C5
Contact Person: Mr. R. Stewart Smith

no later than 11:00 a.m., local time, Tuesday, March 3, 1998.

Firms selected as a result of the Prequalification Process will be so advised and those firms only will be included in an invitation to bid on the construction of the project.

District School Board No. 15 reserves the right to accept or reject any or all submissions at its sole discretion.

Cheryl Murdoch, Chairperson of the Board
Evelyn Brown, Acting Director of Education

DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD NO. 15

Invitation for Prequalification Proposals for General Contractors Stuart Baker Elementary School, Haliburton, Ontario

District School Board No. 15 proposes to request stipulated price contract tenders for new construction of the 20,000 square foot Stuart Baker Elementary School shortly.

Prequalification Proposals are requested from General Contractors who have recently completed work similar in type and scope to this project.

The Scope of Work includes

- 9 classrooms
- 2 kindergartens
- library
- playroom
- etc.

The present schedule anticipates a Stipulated Price Contract award in April 1998 and completion in December 1998.

Prequalification proposal forms may be obtained from the offices of Stewart Smith Architect Ltd. and shall be submitted on the form provided in a sealed envelope identified as:

Prequalification Proposal,
Stuart Baker Elementary School,
Haliburton, Ontario

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Slippery sidewalks lead to many falls and broken bones

COBOCONK

News

Sheila Lake
454-2314

With so much ice around, it is very easy to have a fall. Some of the folks who are nursing broken bones and bruises are Marlene Cobbledick with a broken bone in her arm, Marion Pearson from Norland with a broken ankle, and Clare Fielder from Coby with a hand

that is now all bandaged and swollen.

Katie Magee passed away on Monday at Ross Memorial Hospital. She had been in the hospital with pneumonia, came home and went back to hospital the next day. Sympathy goes out to her family.

Sympathy also goes out to the family of Cy Boreham and Mildress Jewell whose funerals were from the funeral home here, both on February 8.

On Valentine's Day, 11 couples travelled to Fenelon Falls for dinner at the Falls View Restaurant. When dinner was over, all went to the Fenelon Bowling Lanes for a real fun time of bowling. Some of the group were "rusty" as they hadn't been bowling in a long time but it was an evening of laughter. To complete the evening, it was a trek over to Tim Horton's.

A Valentine's get together was held at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 519, Coboconk on February 14. There was karaoke, meat rolls, a draw and a light lunch.

The annual Lion's Club horse drawn sleigh rides were held at Balsam Lake Provincial Park on Sunday, February 15 with free hot dogs and hot chocolate. The Norland Winter Carnival had ideal weather for their many events. The weekend began with a roast beef dinner at the United Church Hall on February 13. On Saturday morning, February 14, there was a pancake breakfast in the

Community Hall. Events at the Carnival were costume skating, a toboggan party, movies, sled dog racing, euchre, sleigh rides, broom ball and a jam session. Small communities always have lots of activities to keep one busy.

Joe and Norma Maguire of Minden were recent visitors of Myrtle Faulkner.

Earl Winterburn is now home from the hospital and we wish him better health in the months ahead.

It's Thursday morning, February 19 and we had rain late yesterday and overnight last night.

If you have any news, phone me at 454-3307 before 9 a.m. or after 9 p.m. if you can't reach me during the day.

A friend, Claire Brooks at Lutterworth Pines, is to come home today, I believe. She was in Minden Hospital, then sent on to Haliburton Hospital. I hope you are all over your pneumonia and flu, Claire! Do take care of yourself.

Historical workshop planned to add to Tweedsmuir Books

MINDEN W.I.

News

Jeanne Sears
286-1538

Jean Cox, the president of the Minden Women's Institute, welcomed 10 members and one guest to the February 18 meeting at the Library Cultural Centre. She was pleased that nearly all had made Valentines for the roll call. We were appreciative of the articles given to us by Laura Kirkwood. Thank you.

We plan to have a history workshop at this Centre on February 25 to add items to the Tweedsmuir Books.

Several letters of thanks were read. Some suggestions were read with regard to the hard of hearing. Then Irene Moore reported sending seven cards over the past month and collections for Card Fund and Pennies for Friendship were taken.

Jeanne Sears then read

a summary of current events for 1997 and this brought back memories and will go in the Tweedsmuir. Volunteer hours are to be added up and given to the P.R.O. at the March meeting. Irene then read us an amusing incident. Jean Cox had worked very hard preparing hard questions on geography of Canada and Mary Cox and Bette Herlihey answered most of these correctly.

Next meeting will be March 18 at 1:30 at this Common Room with Bette Herlihey preparing her program.

After the adjournment, the lunch committee served snacks and a cup of tea and a social time went on with the winner of the gifts being Nancy Gayton.

We welcome all ladies to come and enjoy a couple of hours with us and we heard March might be a slide program. Don't forget to mark the new time of 1:30 and the date as well.

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Bitter Lake	residential	144,900	01/16/97	Redstone Lake	vacant	59,900	05/28/97	Haliburton Lake	cottage	99,900	08/25/97
Haliburton Lake	residential	105,000	01/27/97	Redstone Lake	vacant	59,000	05/28/97	Paudash Lake, Thunderbird	cottage	99,000	08/27/97
Park & Maple	residential	64,740	01/27/97	Gull Lake	residential	159,000	05/29/97	Soyers Lake	cottage	247,000	08/29/97
Crego Lake	cottage	99,000	02/10/97	Wilberforce, Pine Dr.	residential	114,899	05/30/97	Eagle Lake	vacant	89,800	08/30/97
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Harmony Road	residential	114,900	02/17/97	Rock Lake Road	vacant	42,900	06/02/97	Boshkung Lake	cottage	144,900	09/01/97
Paudash Lake, Hwy. 28	cottage	89,900	02/18/97	Riverside Drive	vacant	15,000	06/04/97	Minnicock Lake Rd. E.	vacant	42,900	09/04/97
Grace Lake, Grace River	cottage	139,000	02/21/97	Drag River	vacant	11,900	06/05/97	Bob Lake	residential	325,000	09/06/97
Peninsula Drive	residential	159,900	02/24/97	Koshlong Lake, Dam Rd.	cottage	84,450	06/07/97	Stormy Lake	cottage	74,900	09/10/97
Benoir Lake, Lot 139	cottage	105,000	03/07/97	Lochlin, Ritchie Falls	residential	58,000	06/09/97	Kushog Lake	cottage	179,900	09/12/97
Salerno Lake, Rd. 4	cottage	107,000	03/10/97	Boyne Lake	cottage	74,900	06/11/97	Devils Lake, Deep Bay Rd.	cottage	79,900	09/15/97
Moore Lake	cottage	174,500	03/21/97	Devils Lake	cottage	84,000	06/14/97	Haliburton Lake, Curry	vacant	149,000	09/17/97
Pelaw Lake, Redkenn Dr.	cottage	169,000	03/21/97	Wenona Lake, Bear Paw Rd.	cottage	97,900	06/18/97	Little Gull Lake	cottage	107,000	09/23/97
County Road #7	residential	84,500	03/07/97	Big Brother Lake	cottage	104,000	06/27/97	Moose Lake, Parsons Rd.	cottage	174,900	10/01/97
Park Street	residential	45,000	03/12/97	Little Redstone Lake	cottage	174,900	06/28/97	Hwy. 648, Harcourt	residential	79,900	10/05/97
Sunnyside Street	residential	69,900	03/12/97	Glamor Lake, Conc. 12	cottage	114,800	06/30/97	Farquhar Parkway	cottage	109,899	10/06/97
Soyers Lake	residential	324,000	03/13/97	Haliburton Lake	cottage	199,900	07/06/97	Moose Lake	vacant	80,000	10/08/97
Grace River	cottage	185,000	03/26/97	Drag Lake	cottage	149,900	07/10/97	Wolf (Billings) Lake	residential	179,900	10/12/97
Barry's Lake, Barry Line	cottage	189,900	03/31/97	Benoir Lake	cottage	119,900	07/11/97	Donald	residential	91,500	10/13/97
Wilberforce	residential	34,800	04/08/97	Redstone Landing	cottage	37,500	07/14/97	Wilberforce Main St.	residential	89,900	10/14/97
Riverside Drive	residential	169,850	04/10/97	Crego Lake	cottage	129,000	07/15/97	Portage Lake	cottage	119,900	10/16/97
Gull River, Hwy. 35	cottage	75,000	04/12/97	Burnt River, Lochlin	vacant	7,700	07/15/97	South Beaver Lake	cottage	79,000	10/17/97
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North Rd., Sir Sams	cottage	29,800	04/16/97	Bushwolf Lake	cottage	39,900	07/17/97	Elephant Lake	vacant	68,900	10/21/97
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Drag Lake, Jones Dr.	cottage	89,900	05/10/97	Scotch Line Rd. W.	vacant	13,900	08/04/97	Eagle Lake Village	residential	79,574	11/22/97
Jordan Lake, Lakeview	cottage	58,000	05/13/97	Moose Lake Road	vacant	30,000	08/08/97	Monmouth Waterfront	vacant	85,000	11/18/97
Loon Lake, Hwy. 121	residential	74,900	05/14/97	Benoir Lake, Harcourt	cottage	106,899	08/09/97	Haliburton	residential	145,000	11/29/97
Portage Lake, Kennaway	vacant	30,000	05/14/97	Drag Lake, Beechwood	residential	283,760	08/10/97	Carroll Road	vacant	19,900	12/02/97
Long Lake, Finnobay Rd.	cottage	99,999	05/15/97	Eagle Lake, Sunset Trail	cottage	134,800	08/10/97	Robertson Road	residential	99,900	12/04/97
Wenona Lake, Manitou Dr.	cottage	29,800	05/17/97	Esson Lake	vacant	69,500	08/10/97	Grass Lake	residential	134,900	12/10/97
Pigeon Lake, N. Rackety	cottage	109,500	05/20/97	Elephant Lake	residential	79,900	08/12/97	Bear Lake Road	vacant	8,900	12/11/97
Wilberforce, Mumford	vacant	14,900	05/20/97	Wilbermere Lake	residential	95,900	08/13/97	Esson Lake	cottage	54,900	12/11/97
Cranberry Lake	cottage	84,750	05/21/97	Redstone River	vacant	13,680	08/13/97	County Road #1	residential	154,900	12/18/97
Eagle Lake	cottage	105,600	05/22/97	Sharon Lake	cottage	68,500	08/21/97				
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Bird feeder doesn't get many visitors in Dorset

by PHYLLIS BRISCOE

We wish a happy birthday to Ted Morris, Sarah Jane Johnson, James Madley and Aubrey Keown. Best wishes to all.

So what's with the feathered population? There must be so many feeding stations that they can pick and choose. But what does one have that another doesn't. I have calls telling me that they have had an abundance of birds at their feeders; others say a few and still those who have just had an occasional visitor from the bird world. Some claim that expenditure for bird seed this year is a quarter of what they spent last year.

The Tall Pines Snowmobile Club/Lion's Camp Dorset annual Poker Run took place Valentine's Day and in spite of the lack of fresh snow, the trails were groomed to almost perfect condition. There were 358 riders entered.

The weather wasn't unpleasant for Snowball 98, the Dorset Winter carnival last weekend. The warm temperatures and lack of new snow cut down on the snow sculptures, some that were started collapsed and couldn't be rejuvenated.

This event brings hundreds of people into the community.

Vi Sampson from

Oshawa was here. She and her late husband, Ed Sampson, built and operated for many years, Sampson's Cabins, the property now known as Rumors. Vi and I are within a month of being the same age and grew up as school chums so we did a lot of reminiscing over a delicious pancake breakfast. Ernie and Ila Griffin were here from West Guilford. Jack and Phyllis Matthews of Bracebridge and Bob Matthews of Sudbury were on the scene to renew old acquaintances and many, many more. The sun shone for the greater part of the day which made it great for the outdoor activities.



KINMOUNT LIONS HELP COLOMBIAN CHILDREN: Five children in Colombia can now sleep in warmth thanks to the Kinmount Lions Club's donation of five sleeping bag sets to the humanitarian organization Sleeping Children Around the World. The organization, founded by Murray Dryden, the father of hockey legend Ken Dryden, helps the poorest of the poor and last December, volunteers distributed 3,000 bed kits in Colombia, including the five purchased by the Kinmount Lions, centre, above.



The Corporation of the Township of Snowdon INVITATION TO TENDER

Tenders are invited for providing maintenance services in compliance with Operational Plans for Snowdon Township's landfill sites.

Tender documents and specifications are available at the municipal office from 9:00am to 4:00pm Monday through Friday.

Sealed tenders will be received at:

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"Landfill Tender Maintenance"

Attention: Ernest A Hills
Clerk - Treasurer

Closing date:

Friday March 13, 1998 at 4:00 p.m.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.



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Sealed tenders will be received at:

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"Landfill Tender Operations"

Attention: Ernest A Hills
Clerk - Treasurer

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The Municipality
Of Dysart et al

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ONTARIO GOVERNMENT NOTICE REDUCED LOAD RESTRICTIONS

A) Pursuant to sub-section 122(5) of the Highway Traffic Act, the following King's Highways and local roads boards in the Bancroft District of the Ministry of Transportation will be designated to "Reduced Load Limits".

Hwy. No. 523 from Jct. Hwy. 60 at Madawaska
southerly to Hastings/Nipissing County Boundary
Hwy. No. 7033, Old Irondale Road
Sabine Local Roads Board
Murchison Local Roads Board
Madawaska Local Roads Board
Hay Lake Local Roads Board
Dickens Local Roads Board

The above highways and local Roads Boards will be subject to "Reduced Load Limits" effective upon the erection of signs, which may be erected any time after March 1 depending on weather conditions.

B) Restrictions on Permits Issued

Pursuant to section 110 of the Highway Traffic Act:

- 1) All annual and project permits for moving of heavy vehicle loads, objects or structures, in excess of limits set out in the Act, unless otherwise specified are not valid on any highways during the months of March and April.
- 2) Single trip permits, for moving of overloads on highways not designated in Schedules 1, 2 and 3, may be issued but are subject to axle controls established by Compliance Branch, Safety and Regulation Division.



Ontario



Municipality of
Dysart et al

NOTICE

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al has by resolution declared a portion of a shoreline road allowance in front of Part of Lot 13, in Concession VI, on Haliburton Lake, in the geographic Township of Harburn, in the County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

NOW THEREFORE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, March 9, 1998, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey part of the said shoreline road allowance in front of Part Lot 13, in Concession VI, on Haliburton Lake, in the geographic Township of Harburn, in the County of Haliburton.

WHICH SAID PARCEL or tract of land is illustrated and shown as Part 1 and Part 2 on Plan 19R-6334, prepared by Paul Wilson, OLS, and dated May 20, 1997, being available for inspection in the office of the Planning Administrator at the Municipal Office in Haliburton, Ontario.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart this 14th day of January 1998.

Patricia E. Martin
M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Planning Administrator



Municipality of
Dysart et al

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al proposes to enact at its regular meeting to be held on Monday, March 9, 1998, a by-law to close, stop-up and convey part of an Original Allowance for Road, located between Concession II and III, in Lot I, in the Township of Harburn, in the County of Haliburton.

WHICH SAID PARCEL or tract of land is illustrated on a Plan, prepared by H.C. Bishop, OLS, and dated July 6, 1964, being available for inspection in the office of the Planning Administrator at the Municipal Office in Haliburton, Ontario.

BEFORE PASSING the said by-law at its meeting to be held as noted above, the Council of the Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al shall then and there hear in person or by his counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his land will be affected by the said by-law.

THE PROPOSED BY-LAW will reconfirm the intended direction provided by By-law 65-4 and will correct minor technical errors with that By-law.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION is available for review from the Planning Department at the Municipal Office during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday to Friday).

DATED at the Township of Dysart this 16th day of January 1998.

Patricia E. Martin
M.C.I.P., R.P.P.
Planning Administrator

Hyland Crest celebrates Valentine's by inducting new members to the Wall of Fame

SENIOR LEAGUE

Hyland Crest News

Roving Reporters

286-2140

Did you do anything

special for Valentine's Day? We sure did! A Valentine family dinner. On Saturday, February 14, residents along with their family and friends thoroughly enjoyed some time together. All the preparations that have been going on for some time were certainly well appreciated. Both the dining room and auditorium were beautifully decorated in red and white, the table settings lovely and there were balloons everywhere.

As we mentioned a while ago, the residents this year selected the menu. The main course was chicken Cordon Bleu with small salad and mixed vegetables, white wine and for dessert a scrumptious, freshly made carrot cake. The whole meal was absolutely delicious.

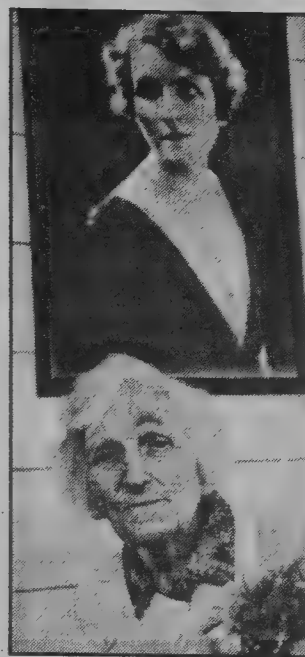
After dinner, seven more portraits were added to our "Wall of Fame". They were Muriel Harrison, Anne MacKay, Laura

Upton, Bessie Burke, Alice Morrison, Lucile Clarke and Joan Evans.

Following these presentations, Gord Kidd entertained us beautifully. It was certainly a lovely dinner and we were told there were 145 people in attendance. Many, many thanks to our dietary staff, activity staff, administration, our own residents who made so many decorations, etc. and any others who helped make a memorable day.

Due to the flu bug, the Allsaw Pentecostal was unable to host our tea party on the 12th. However, thanks to Linda, our dietary staff and volunteers we enjoyed our tea party after all. Afterwards, we had fun with a quiz.

We are writing this a day early this week. Our schedule has changed for a couple of weeks. But, don't worry, our column will still get out. We will catch you upon more news next week.



Lucile Clarke is one of the new inductees.

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Obituary

Father Doherty a friend to Colombian orphans

Father Joseph Doherty died of a heart attack on February 15, 1998 in Chile, where he had dedicated much of his life to helping the poor. It was this dedication which earned him the Order of Canada and Chile's highest civilian honour.

One of his surviving siblings is Michael Doherty of Haliburton.

Born the eldest of 10 children in Bath, New Brunswick, in 1913, Joseph Doherty attended St. Joseph's University in Memramcook, as well as one year at North Dartmouth Noviciate in Massachusetts, three years in LeMann, France studying theology and a year and a half at Decatherine



Fr. Joseph Doherty

University in Washington. Fr. Doherty, CSG, taught at the

University of Portland in Oregon.

He was ordained in Saint John, N.B. in June of 1941 and two years later he left for Chile. His first six years were spent teaching English at St. George's College. Then he spent 12 years working in the poverty-stricken parish of Santiago, where his real mission started. He would pick up abandoned, homeless children and find homes for them.

It was during this time that he wrote to one of his brothers in New Brunswick, asking for a loan to buy a truck because he wanted to start an orphanage. That Ford truck quickly evolved into a fleet of 45

Macks, oil tankers, transports and dump trucks, which funded the construction of an orphanage that holds 218 children. He did all of this on his own.

The government of Chile honoured Father Doherty in 1966, presenting him with the Bernardo O'Higgins Medal, their highest civilian honour. In 1981, Fr. Doherty was awarded the Order of Canada by Governor-General Ed Schreyer in Ottawa.

He died of a heart attack and was buried in Chile on February 17. He will be sadly missed by his brothers and sisters in Haliburton, Toronto and Saint John.

Roast beef dinner a big success

A PENNEY'S WORTH

Carnarvon News

Yvonne Penney
489-2245

Our Valentine roast beef dinner last weekend was a great success. Our hall was tastefully decorated and we had a pretty well full house. Thanks to all who attended this event.

Grace Cowen was home for a few days a week ago and is now living with her daughter Lois near Omeme.

Much cold and flue virus abounds in our village. This is a particularly virulent strain of flu which puts you right into bed. Best wishes to all afflicted.

Best wishes to Bill Cowen who spent a few nights in Haliburton Hospital recently.

Condolences to the family and friends of Edward Devitt, former owner of Camp Comak who passed away February 20.

Our World Day of Prayer for this area will be held at St. Peter's Anglican Church at Maple Lake on Friday, March 6 at 2:00 p.m.

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504 EMPLOYMENT WANTED

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505 GENERAL HELP WANTED

508 CAREERS

CONTINUED

WHERE: Sir Sandford Fleming College, Haliburton.

WHEN: Two Workshops: February 16 to March 6 OR March 16 to April 3. For further information or to register, call (705) 457-1680. CA

701 COMING EVENTS

LAKESIDE BAPTIST CHURCH, HALIBURTON

7:00 p.m.
Friday, March 6
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World Day of Prayer
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505 GENERAL HELP WANTED



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508 CAREERS

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WHO: If you are currently on EI or Social Assistance or eligible through the Human Resource Investment Fund, you will be considered for this training.

701 COMING EVENTS

MARCH BREAK

at the
**LESLIE M. FROST
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CENTRE**

Making plans for March Break? The Leslie M. Frost Natural Resources Centre near Dorset is offering three exciting programs for families and youth:

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If you are interested in reviving
this initiative, please call
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CA

**Haliburton
Highlands X-C
Ski Club**
Annual Meeting
Sat. March 7
3 p.m.
at clubhouse, Glebe
Park, Haliburton
Pot luck Desserts
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703 LOST & FOUND

\$500 REWARD - for the names of
the thieves who stole skidder chains
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Please call (705) 754-5599.

704 ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Haliburton and Area Acquired
Brain Injury Drop-In** is held on the
first Wednesday of each month
from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the
Community Police Association
Building. For more information, call
Cheryl Greg at (705) 741-1172 or
Nancy Pettit at 457-1600. CA

As former owner of **Hyland Communication Services**, I wish Mr.
Gary Bloor and family success as
the new owners now operating
Highlands Answering Services. I
hope past customers will give the
service the same patience and
chance to grow as they did our-
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On Saturday, January 31, 1998, the
Monmouth Figure Skating Club
held its raffle. Congratulations to the
following winners: Mrs. Lynn Wat-
son of Bridgenorth, Mrs. Peggy
Plunkett of Bancroft and Mrs. Au-
drey Peacock of Etobicoke. A spe-
cial thanks to The Wigamog Inn, Ly-
dia's Bistro and Joyce's Gift Bas-
kets for generously donating prizes.
Thank you to everyone who sup-
port our club by purchasing a raffle
ticket. CA

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707 BIRTHS

PATRICK - Stephen Patrick and
Holly Hutchison announce the joy-
ful arrival of

**JOSEPH ARTHUR
HUTCHISON PATRICK**
born December 22, 1997, arrived
home February 15, 1998. A brother
to Sarah and Devin, grandson to
Gwen and Jack Hutchison and the
late Arthur William Patrick, nephew
to Julian Patrick and Sophie
Thomas, Bob Hutchison and Lynn
Hillman, and Laurel Hutchison.
Cousin to Monika, Elias, Asa, and
Helen.

VARTY - Parents Mike and Kim
are pleased to announce the birth of

CASANDRA ROSE
born February 17, 1998, at 7:28
p.m. weighing 6 lbs. 15 oz. Proud
sisters are Meaghan and Sarah,
Grandparents Marvin and Lorraine
Varty, Lenord and Sandy Cooper.
Casandra is the newest Great
Granddaughter of Therm Varty. CA

708 OBITUARIES

AT REST
**Peacefully at the Peterborough
Civic Hospital on Saturday,
February 21, 1998 in her 85th
year**

JENNIE EVANGELINE HAGAN
Beloved wife of the late Leslie. Dear
sister of Ruby and her husband Sid
Roberts, predeceased by her brother
Jim Orr. Dear aunt of Murray and
his wife Nancy Roberts, Shirley
Jean and her husband Dennis Baker
and fondly remembered by her
great nieces and nephews. Friends
visited the family at the Gordon A.
Monk Funeral Home, 127 Main St.,
Minden on Monday. Funeral ser-
vice to be held in the Chapel on
Tuesday, February 24 at 11:00 a.m.

708 OBITUARIES

CONTINUED
Spring interment Gelert Cemetery.
Memorial donations to the Heart
and Stroke Foundation would be
appreciated by the family. CA

**HOPPER, ALICE LOVE (resident
of Extendicare, Haliburton)** -
Peacefully at Extendicare, Haliburton
on Monday, February 23, 1998
in her 91st year. Beloved wife of the
late Carl Hopper. Loving mother of
Laddie and his wife Donna of Mon-
cton, N.B. and Doreen (Mrs. Alex De-
Grave) of Gooderham, Ontario.
Fondly remembered by seven
grandchildren and seventeen great
grandchildren. Dear sister of Mil-
dred Coneen of Windsor and Don
of Moncton, N.B. Predeceased by
her brother Perry. A memorial ser-
vice will be held at Lakeside Baptist
Church, Park Street, Haliburton
on Saturday, February 28, 1998 at
1 o'clock. Interment Fair Haven
Memorial Gardens, Moncton, N.B.
As expressions of sympathy, do-
nations to the HHHS Foundation
would be appreciated by the fam-
ily. CA

AT REST
**Passed away peacefully in her
sleep at the Wellington Terrace
Nursing Home, Elora on
Tuesday, February 17 in her
95th year**

**LOUISA LOUCKS
(formerly of Minden)**
Beloved wife of the late Chester
Loucks. Loving mother of Lenora
Biagi of Hamilton, Donald and Nan-
cy Loucks of Campbell River, B.C.,
mother-in-law of Vera Loucks of
Guelph and predeceased by her
son Walter Loucks and by her
daughter Donelda Loucks. Loving
grandmother of Dennis Byers, Kay
Marr, Robert Loucks, Linda DiCar-
lo, Donna Loucks, Tracy Loucks
and great grandmother of Cindy,
Darren, Kirsten, Carrie, Jeremy, Ar-
den and great great grandmother
of Cody. Friends visited the family
at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral
Home, 127 Main St., Minden on
Thursday. Funeral service was held
in the Chapel on Friday, February
20. Spring interment at the Minden
Cemetery. Memorial donations to
the Lung Association would be ap-
preciated by the family. CA

SCHMID, JULES - Passed away
peacefully at Extendicare, Haliburton
on Thursday, February 19,
1998. Jules Schmid of Portland in
his 83rd year. Beloved husband of
the late Antoinette Hoffman. Dear
father of George and his wife Elaine
of Haliburton, Isabelle Schmid of
Osgoode. Predeceased by son,
Phillip. Dear brother of Joseph,
Richard, Agatha and Lilly Schmid
all of Switzerland. Predeceased by
brother Friderich and sisters Rosy
and Marie. Fondly remembered by
grandson Lane. The family received
friends at the Scotland Funeral
Home, 27 Main Street, Elgin on
Sunday. Funeral service was held
in Emmanuel Anglican Church,
Portland on Monday, February 23.
As expressions of sympathy,
memorial donations made to the
Heart and Stroke Foundation or the
charity of your choice would be ap-
preciated by the family.

AT REST
**Passed away on February 6,
1998 in Kitchener at the age of
95**
FLORENCE SHANTZ
Predeceased by her husband
Mervin and son Ralph. Dear moth-
er of Robert, Dorothy, Harold and
Alice of Kitchener. CA

708 OBITUARIES

WALLACE, MALCOLM E. (of In-
goldsby) - Passed away at Civic
Hospital, Peterborough on Febru-
ary 17 after a short illness, in his
75th year. Surviving is his wife Don-
na, children Robert of MA, John of
Toronto, Scott of N.H., Lisa of Alas-
ka and Chris of Michigan. Funeral
services were held February 20 at
Janisse Funeral Home, Windsor,
Ontario. Interment has taken place
in Windsor where Malcolm was
born. Donations to Haliburton Hos-
pital would be appreciated.

709 IN MEMORIAM

ALLPORT, MURIEL - In memory
of Muriel who left us February 15,
1996:

A life well lived cannot be dimin-
ished by death.
The beauty, guidance and inspira-
tion she gave us
Will shine on as brightly as ever.
Remembered always by **Peggy
Fawns and Ken, Marg, Curtis and
Erin Fielding.** CA

**COUMBS, CHRISTOPHER &
LYLE** - In loving memory of our
dear grandfather Christie Coumbs
who passed away February 25,
1989 and our dear father Lyle
Coumbs who passed away No-
vember 18, 1974:

It only takes a little space
To write how much we miss you,
But it will take the rest of our lives
To forget the day we lost you.
All our love, **grandsons Ken,
Chris, wife Melinda and great
grandson Christopher.**

EVERSON, BEATRICE - In loving
memory of a dear wife, mother and
Nana, who passed away February
26, 1991
We who love you, sadly miss you,
As it dawns another year,
In our lonely hours of thinking
Thoughts of you are ever near.
Sadly missed by **husband Bill and
family.**

LITTLE, DONALD - In loving
memory of a dear husband, father
and grandfather and great grand-
father who was taken from us far
too soon on February 25, 1988:
You touched so many people
In a special kind of way.
Family, friends and others
Each and every day.
Sadly missed along life's way,
But in our hearts, you will always be
there.
Lovingly remembered by the fam-
ily.

MacKENZIE/STAMP - In loving
memory of our Aunt Donelda and
Uncle Grenville who passed away
February 25, 1992 and March 7,
1990:

The gates of memory will never
close,
We miss you more than anyone
knows.
With tender love and deep regret,
We who love you will never forget.
Forever in our hearts, their nieces
and nephews **Alberta, Bernie,
Cheryl, David, Erin and their fam-
ilies.**

MINTZ, MERVAL DUNCAN - In
loving memory of a dear son, brother,
brother-in-law and uncle who left
us suddenly February 28, 1990:
Many are the days we wish you
were here,
With your happy smile and words
of cheer.
But all we have left are memories
of the past
Until we all meet again, at last.
Lovingly missed, always remem-
bered by **Mom, Larry, Linda, An-
dr , Pauline, Gloria, Leroy and
families.**

709 IN MEMORIAM

STAMP/MacKENZIE - In loving
memory of a dear brother and sister,
Grenville (March 7, 1990) and
Donelda (February 25, 1992):
We never had a chance to say
goodbye,
You were both gone before we
knew it and only God knows why.
It broke our hearts to lose you but
you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you the day
God called you home.
Sadly missed and forever loved,
**Marjorie and George, Lyle and
Carol and Truman.**

712 CARDS OF THANKS

The staff and students of **Gooderham Elementary
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otherwise, of the following individuals and organizations
towards our "community study unit" and the "Tamarack"
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Seniors Club, Kinmount Legion, Kinmount Lions, Minden
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Legion, Haliburton Lions, Gooderham School Council
members, Elva Bates, Steve and Judy Parnell, Marta
Mihaldinecz, Pam Manley, Gord and Ron Barr, Dallyn
Pickens, Faye Snider, Wayne Stoughton, Martha Perkins &
The Echo. Without your assistance, this project, which was
a tremendous success, would never have come to fruition.

Thanks to HCSA and hands up to
Ken for the beautiful groomed trails
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day Rap tour. From 13 sleds and
17 people who thirsted for smooth
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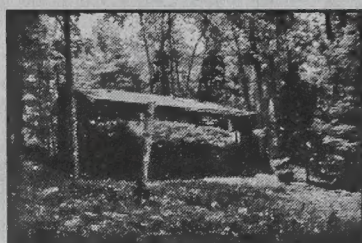


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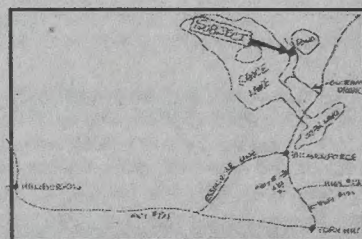


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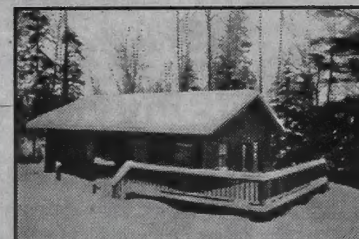


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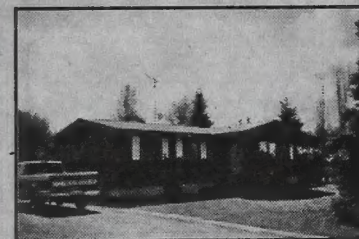
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